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## FOREWORD

My father, Stephen Barlow Espy, left Pennsylvania for Fort Madison, Iowa, then the far west, in 1846. At the time of his death I was a small child, and never knew any of the Espys, except the family of my uncle, Thos. S. Espy, and they too, grew up far from the parent stock. Naturally I was both ignorant of, and curious about my ancestry.

Goethe says, "Happy he who remembers his progenitors with pride of their deeds, and, silently rejoicing, sees himself linked to the end of this goodly chain." Feeling a good deal this way myself and having faith that "pride in their deeds" would be my portion, I began the linking together of the "goodly chain" in 1896. It has been a long and tedious task that might have been better done by some one else but there was no one else ready to do it.

When my dear kinsmen read this book I hope that each and every one will remember that into this work I have put almost ten years of my life, and my time is, I assure you, valuable in the marts of trade, and also much money, which could have been spent in the more agreeable manner called "buying finery," that is so dear to the heart of every woman.

It will seem to many that it is a poor book for the money, but there is no record herein that has cost me as little as the price of the book, besides I have sold only enough copies to pay the immediate cost of printing. This is told you frankly that you may understand why there is only a paper binding and also that you may realize that each book has cost me very much more than it has cost you.

It will seem to some a very small book. It is, but

do not blame me for that. You will notice that one great reason is that more than half of the children born into this family died unmarried and of those now living, many have failed to give an extended account of their relationship. In the early days we often find one or more children in a family of whom no trace is left in public records or family tradition.

The book is issued now, because my eyesight, never good, is rapidly failing and it seems to me that an incomplete genealogy, if a genealogy ever can be completed, is better than none.

In this work I am greatly indebted to Mr. A. T. Espie, Glasgow, Scotland, Mr. George Espy, Dungannon, Ireland, Hon. George Espie, Carlisle, Cumberland Co., England, Mr. Wm. Franklin Rutherford, Harrisburg, Pa., Maj. John Espy, St. Paul, Minn., Miss Thirza L. Westcott, El Paso, Texas, Miss F. M. Espy, Fouché, Ga., and to none more than to Mr. Josiah Morrow, Lebanon, O., who has written for me the sketch of Prof. James Espy, with whom he was personally acquainted.

In 1876, Dr. Wm. H. Egle, then State Librarian of Pennsylvania, published his "Genealogies of Pennsylvania" in which were "The Espys of Derry." After one years work I found that his record was not correct and the letter here printed will show that Dr. Egle had also discovered this.

September, 30, 1897.

Miss Florence M. Espy,  
Ft. Madison, Iowa.

My dear Madame:—

I am in receipt of yours of the 27th inst. For sometime I have been disposed to believe that the record as given in the genealogy, of the ancestry of Prof. James Espy, was somewhat mixed, but, no one has been able to help me out of the tangle. I am however in search of data, which no doubt will settle it, and as soon as I obtain the desired information I will inform you.

Yours with respect,

WILLIAM H. EGLE.

If he had lived, this extended and corrected record would doubtless have been issued by him in another volume of Pennsylvania genealogy.

These facts are gathered from records now carefully kept in Lancaster, Northumberland, Cumberland, Bedford and Westmorland Counties, Pa. All of these counties have been greatly sub-divided since the early settlement of our forefathers. Also, from the few remaining records of North Carolina, and Counties Londonderry, Down, Antrim and Tyrone in the Province of Ulster, Ireland. A surprising number of Family Bibles, old letters and papers, are still in the hands of different branches of the family. And most valuable of all are the old church records of Pennsylvania that gives dates of deaths, baptisms, and marriages. By examining the map locating the early Scotch-Irish settlements you will see that these churches are about ten or twelve miles apart.

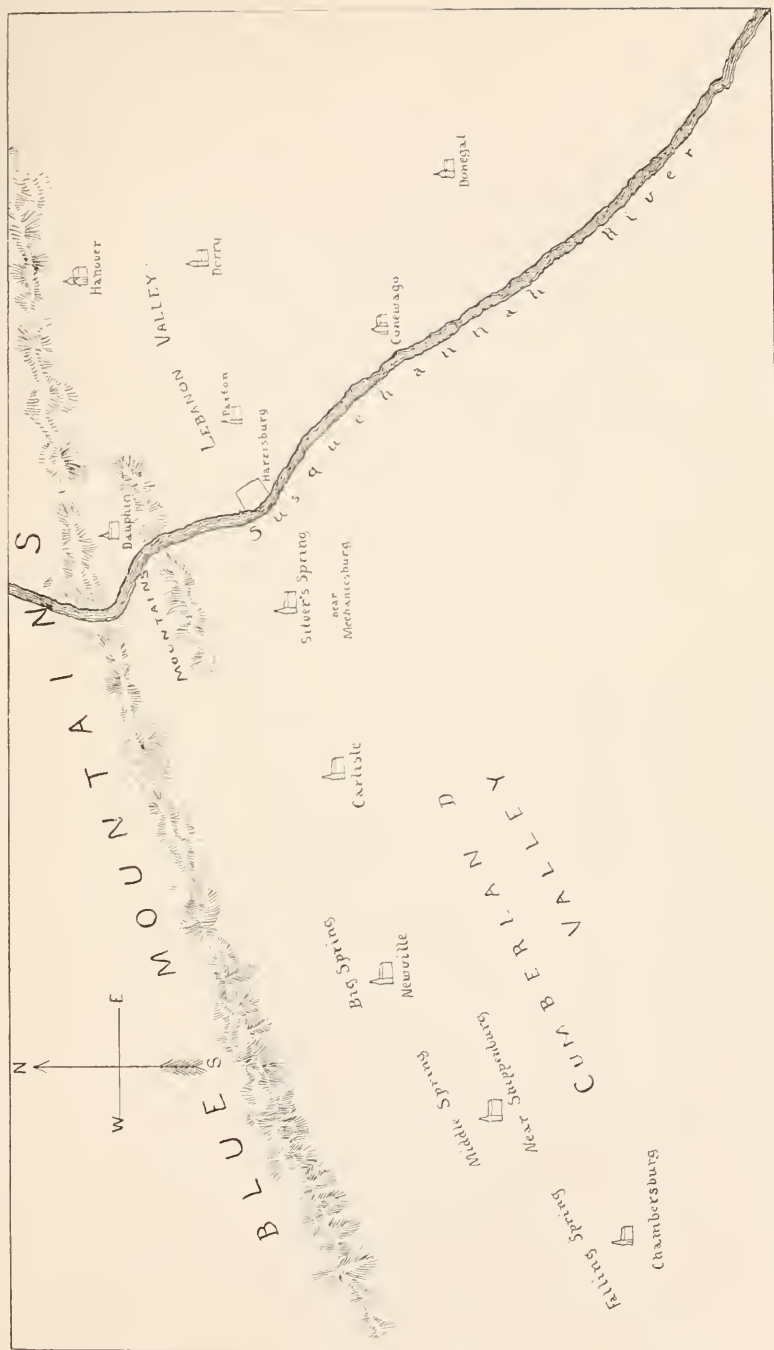
There will be no attempt made to tell the number of books of reference read in gathering this information as recording the names became an irksome task almost at the outset. In this search two trips were made to Pennsylvania and the early grave-stones examined and many old people visited that have since passed away.

FLORENCE MERCY ESPY,

Fort Madison, Iowa, July 19, 1905.







EARLY SCOTCH-IRISH SETTLEMENTS OF LANCASTER COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA.



## ORIGIN OF THE NAME AND FAMILY OF ESPY

There is much doubt as to the origin and meaning of the name Espy. Prof. Max Mueller, in his "Science of Language" says that in transferring into English, words ending in "ie" should be changed to "y." On page 260, Vol. 1, of this same work he says: "In Old German the word for spy was Speha, Old French gives the same word as Espie." From this we can imagine if we like that the name means spy or scout.

Mr. A. T. Espie of Glasgow, Scotland, has sent me a learned discursion proving that the name Espie means "Bishop" and that the name Gillespie means "The Bishops servant" and Rev. John Boyd Espy, Fredonia, N. Y., proves this to his own satisfaction by quoting Greek and Latin.

Harry Alfred Long in 1883, published "Personal and Family Names" in which we find, "Spada: Swordsman giving Espie or Espee, con. Spade (at cards) originally a sword." From this it is equally easy to see that the name means swordsman. Any of the above ideas are worthy and you have the authorities and can take your choice.

In the early records family names were not looked upon as important and as most people spelled by sound all you have to do is to call in the first Scotch-Irish man you see and ask him to pronounce Espy and you will then be able to see why the early records have Aspy, Aspai, Aspie and Asby. We also find recorded the name Espie, Espey, Esby, Esbie and Easpy.

In the "Norman People," page 411, we find Radulphus Espee, Normandy, 1180—1195 and John de Espy, England, 1272.

In "Etat Present De La Noblesse Francaise" published 1866, is found:

Espee (baron de 1) commander de la Legion d Honnener, 115 rue de Lille, Paris.

Espee (baron de 1) 10 rue Las Casas, Paris.

Espee (baron du 1) au Chatau de Sandronvillers, pur Saint Nicolas du Port.

Espee (Henry de 1) au Chateau de Forville.

Espies (Comte d) 58 rue de Verneen, Paris.

Espies (Comte d) 10 rue Neuve de l Universite, Paris.

Espies (vicompte d) 86 rue du Bac, Paris.

The above found on page 434.

A memorial tablet in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, Ireland, reads thus: "Rene de la Don Espe de la Tablere, who in 1685, for the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, left his country, La Bas Poieton, France, and took refuge in Ireland." This proves that some Espys were Huguenots.

In "County Records of the Surnames of Francus, Franceis, French, in England A. D. 1100 to 1350" we find "Release of John, brother of William de Esseby \* \* \* \* which said brother held."

In "Collectanaae, Topographica and Genealogica" Vol. 2, under date of July 10, 1313, extract from the Annals of Crokesden Abbey, County Stafford, England, are found many references to Thomas de Esseby.

In "The Visitation of Kent" Harlem Mss. page 78, is found "Alano Espe married Maria Claybrooke."

There was a Count Cozart living in France in 1598 that married the heiress of George Comte d' Espies and afterwards used the Espy and Cozad arms together. This information comes to me from the family of my mother, whose grand-mother was a Cozad.

At the present day in the Counties of Cumberland, Northumberland, Devonshire and Kent, England, are families named Espy.

From the earliest times there has been in Germany



a family spelling the name "Espich" or "Espichorum." Some of this family settled in Bucks County, Pa., before the Revolutionary War, and their descendants are scattered over the United States. They spell the name Espy and Espe. This family think they are entitled to a large fortune in Germany and have several times tried to collect it.

There is a family in New Orleans, spelling the name Espy that came from the South of France about twenty-five years ago.

There are others, spelling the name Espy, living in Louisiana, whose ancestors came directly from Ireland soon after the Revolution.

In New York City. Carrol County, Ill., and in and about Mosherville, Mich., are settled families spelling the name Espie who came directly from Scotland about thirty years ago. There are also Espys in Canada that emigrated from Ireland since 1850.

There is a large family, spelling the name Espey, scattered over the United States, but the larger number of them are in Eastern New York. They are the descendants of John, William, Daniel, Henry, James and Thomas, who came from County Tyrone, Ireland, within the past fifty years.

To speak candidly of one's direct ancestors, however remote, is a somewhat difficult matter. Unstinted praise savors of egotism, and to uncover failings is an unfilial and ungracious task. Fortunately in the present case only good has lived after them as time has completely obliterated whatever of evil was theirs.

While we do not claim for them the distinction of having been leaders of men, we do claim that they understood and appreciated the spirit of the age in which they lived; were diligent in business, and as men and women, stood shoulder to shoulder in the ranks of that unconquerable phalanx which from age to age, has battled for the rights of man, and to which, under God, we

of to-day owe whatever of freedom and personal liberty we possess.

Our immediate ancestors are Scotch that came to the Scottish Plantation of Down-Antrim at the time when religious persecution was greatest in Scotland. They were signers of the "Solemn League and Covenant," and many of the name fought under the banner of the blue and gold at Drumclog, Loudon, Pentland Hills and Boyne Water for religious liberty.

There is good cause for thinking that this family of Espy runs into the great and noble Tuscan house of d'Este but it was impossible for me to give the needed time, labor and expense necessary in order to establish the truth in this case, besides my personal feeling in the matter is that the good, plain, honest, Scotch Yeoman as we know him in "The Bonnie Briar Bush," casts a greater glory over his descendants than can the family of d'Este.

## The Descendants of Josiah and Priscilla Mitchell Espy, of County Antrim, Ireland.

We know little of this worthy couple except the fact that they lived, married, begat sons and daughters and passed on. One thing we do know is that they handed down to their children and children's children, honesty and industry, together with the firm conviction that the Presbyterian form was the only way in which a Christian could worship. This Josiah was the son of Hugh and grandson of George Espy who came to the "Plantations" in Ireland from Scotland, as early as 1610. Their descendants are scattered over the north of Ireland and some of them live there to this day, while many of them have emigrated to America and Australia. We find record of two families that in later and more peaceful times returned to Scotland and settled in and about Glasgow, where their descendants still live. Josiah and Priscilla Mitchell Espy were married in Ireland, it is supposed, but no record can be found, neither can any proof be found that they crossed the ocean, nor can we find any record of the death of either. From different families we have traced back the facts here recorded. Their children were:

See page 12. i. *Samuel*, b. 1693; m. Martha Hay.

See page 22. ii. *George*, b. 1695; m. Jean Taylor.

iii. *Martha*, b. 1697; m. Humphrey Fullerton.

Came to America and settled in Pennsylvania from whence their descendants are scattered over the United States. One family has lived in Chillicothe, O., since 1802 and Josiah Espy speaks of them in his "Tour."

See page 81. iv. *Josiah*, b. 1699; m. Elizabeth Crain.

v. *Elizabeth*, b. 1700; m. Lytle.

- vi. *Mary*, b. 1702; m. Montgomery.
- vii. *John*, b. 1704; m. Jean Morehead and remained in Ireland. He is known to have paid rent on the "Hamilton Estates" from ~~1681 to 1688~~ near Killeagh, County Down. This John had three sons; *George*, remained in Ireland and some of his descendants are living in Cookstown, while others are scattered over the world, *John*, the second son, was the progenitor of the family that returned to Scotland and also of the principal "Espie" family in Australia. *Hugh*, the third son, m. Mary Stewart in County Londonderry and came to America.
- viii. *William*, b. 1704; (twin) may have d. young.
- ix. *Jean*, b. 1706; m. Gilchrist.
- x. *Priscilla*, b. 1708; m. John Patterson.

1781 - 1788

See Espey p. 103.

### History and Genealogy of Samuel and Martha Hay Espy

I. SAMUEL ESPY, eldest son of Josiah and Priscilla Mitchell Espy, was born in North of Ireland in the year 1693; m. Martha Hay by whom he had five sons all of whom settled in America. If he had daughters we find no record of them. Samuel "followed the sea" and some years after the death of his first wife he married secondly, Ann, daughter of John Montgomery of County Antrim, Ireland, and widow of Col. James Hamilton of the English Army. This marriage is recorded in the Parish of St. George, London, June 6, 1745. From this time on Samuel seems to have been a man of wealth and position. There is no record of children by this marriage. There is now, in the possession of Mr. John Anderson of Bedford, Pa., a legal document reading thus: "Samuel Espy, Parish of St. George, No. 4, Hanover Square, London, England, gave power of attorney

to his son James to collect prize money due him from the navy, May 17, 1746." It is supposed that this paper with other matters appertaining to the estate of James Espy came into the hands of Col. David Espy when James d. in 1747, but nothing is certainly known. Samuel Espy and Martha Hay had issue:

2.
  - i. *Samuel*, b. 1723; m. Martha Patton.
  - ii. *James*, b. 1725; m. Jan. 3, 1745; Mary Cameron, b. 1759; daughter of widow Elizabeth Cameron of Hanover Township, Lancaster County, Pa. They settled in Bedford County, where James d. in 1747 leaving no children. Mary Espy was married again in Derry church, 1748 to James Carson.
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  - iii. *Robert*, b. 1727; moved to N. C.
4.
  - iv. *Thomas*, b. 1729; went to N. C.
  - v. *George*, b. 1731; m. Elizabeth Gilchrist and d. 1765 in Derry Township, Lancaster County, Pa., leaving a son, *David*, over fourteen years of age who chose Josiah Espy as guardian. This David d. unmarried.

II. SAMUEL ESPY, son of Samuel and Martha Hay Espy was b. 1732; m. Martha Patton in 1756 and located in Chester County, Pa. He had issue:

- i. *Thomas*, b. 1757; was living in Chester County, in 1781.
- ii. *Georje*, b. 1759; m. —first and had children of whom we find no trace. He m. secondly, in Harrisburg, Pa., Ruth Smiley; he was a cabinet-maker; was accidentally killed in 1802, his wife dying within the year, his estate, which was considerable, and the three children were looked after by Josiah Espy. The children were: 1. *Priscilla*, m. a Mr. Barnett and had one daughter, secondly, m. as the second wife of John Rutherford and has two sons at Cedarville. Stephenson

County, Ill. 2. *George*, m. in Indianapolis, Ind., d. 1858 and left three daughters. 3. *Samuel*, b. 1799; d. 1868 in Indianapolis, Ind. He m. first, Sarah Coryell of St. Louis, Mo.; she died and left one daughter, b. 1848, now Mrs. John G. Wiffley, Mexico, Mo. He m. secondly in 1856, Frances E. Greenleaf. Their children are: 1. *George*, b. 1859; civil engineer; unmarried and lives at Chicago. 2. *Edward*, b. 1861; m. 1892 and has son George L.; residence, Brightwood, Ind. 3. *Samuel McClure*, b. 1862; m. and has Curtis and Murry; residence, Chicago.

- iii. *Joseph*, b. 1761; sold land in E. Hanover Township, to Josiah Espy, Feb. 1, 1786. He d. unmarried.

III. ROBERT ESPY, son of Samuel and Martha Hay Espy was b. in Ireland in 1727; came to America when young; m. in 1757 in Chester County, Pa., Rachel Bell, who was b. in 1733. They removed to Mecklenburg, N. C., in 1770, where Robert served with a scouting party during the Revolution, afterwards settling near Nashville, Tenn., about 1780. They had issue:

- i. *James*, b. 1758; killed while acting as sheriff; left wife, two sons and six daughters. *William*, eldest son, went west and all trace of him is lost. *Robert*, the second son, m. Miss Clay of Kentucky and settled at Jefferson, Rutherford County, Tenn.; has sons, *William* and *George*, living on the old home farm.
- ii. *Alexander*, m. had sons *Johnson* and *Clark*.
1. *Johnson*, m. had *Charles*, who m. and has
    1. *Thomas*, 2. *John*, 3. *Eveline*, 4. *Kittie*,
  2. *Clark*, m. and has among others a son *George*, living at Sebastopol, Cal. His sons are: 1. *George*, 2. *Sidney*, 3. *Ben-*



*jamin, 4. Charles, 5. Jefferson. This family spell the name Espy.*

- iii. George was killed by Indians in 1782; he was unmarried.*
- iv. Robert was killed by Indians; unmarried.*
- v. John, b. 1818 is still living and his children are: 1. Robert, 2. William went to Arkansas and all trace of him is lost. 3. John, 4. George is living in Kansas City, Mo. 5. Sallie, 6. Mattie.*

NOTE. This record is written exactly as sent to me, but it is undoubtedly far from correct.

IV. THOMAS ESPY, son of Samuel and Martha Hay Espy, was b. in Ireland in 1729; m. in Hampton Township, Cumberland County, Pa., Martha, daughter of Samuel Morehead, removed to Mecklenburg, N. C., with his brother Robert in 1770; was a gunsmith and aided the cause during the Revolution with his work. After the war he removed to Oglethorpe County, Ga., where he died. Had issue:

- 5. i. Samuel, b. 1758; m. Elizabeth Sloan.*
- 6. ii. John, b. 1759; m. Elizabeth Parke.*
- 7. iii. James, (twin) b. 1759; m. Sarah Barker. Baker*
- iv. Eleanore, b. 1761; m. Joseph Haynes.*
- v. Anna, b. 1764; m. Thomas Hunter.*
- 8. vi. Joseph, b. 1766; m. Polly Barnett.*
- viii. Martha, b. 1769; m. —Blatchford.*

V. SAMUEL ESPY, son of Thomas and Martha Morehead Espy, was b. May 8, 1758; was Capt. N. C. Partizans and served through the Revolution; was wounded at the battle of King's Mountain and was crippled for the remainder of his life; is honorably mentioned in "Draper's History of King's Mountain" and "Hunter's History of Western N. C."; proof of his service is to be found in "Heitman's Historical Register;" he was a pensioner of the Revolution; m. Elizabeth Sloan, of the same Scotch-Irish Stock, 1785. She was born Nov. 7,



1760. He died Dec. 29, 1838 and left issue:

- i. *Martha*, b. April 14, 1786; m. Wm. Huggins and had: 1. *John*. 2. *Thomas*. 3. *Jane*. 4. *Rachel*. 5. *Amanda*. 6. *Harriet*. They removed to a farm near Ripley, Brown County, Ohio, and all trace of them is lost.
- ii. *Mary*, b. June 29, 1789, became the second wife of John Oats and d. in Lincoln County, N. C.
9. iii. *Elizabeth*, b. March 25, 1789; m. Wm. Oats.
10. iv. *John*, b. March 12, 1791; m. Jane Oats.
11. v. *Thomas*, b. Mar. 4, 1793; m. 

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*Martha Brown.*  
*Sarah Rosseau.*
- vi. *Samuel*, b. April 26, 1795; m. Drucilla Webb, d. in Ga., Sept. 25, 1832, had: *James*, d. in Columbus, Miss.; m. Agnes Riddle and his children are: 1. *Robert*, Magazine, Ark. 2. *Alfred*, Walker, County, Ga. 3. *James*, H. d. in 1892 in Paris, Texas. 4. *Thomas*, Albertville, Ala. 5. *Mrs. Sarah Murdock*, Fouche, Ga. 6. *Stephen Douglas*, a merchant of Magazine, Ark.
- vii. *James*, b. Sept. 23, 1797; d. unmarried.
- viii. *Robert*, b. June 8, 1800; has a large family in Alabama.
12. ix. *Joseph*, b. Jan. 21, 1863; m. 

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*Margaret Duff.*  
*Jean Hargis.*

  
Capt. Samuel Espy, m. secondly, Mary Duff and had one child:
  - x. *Margaret*, b. Jan. 4, 1815, d. unmarried.

VI. JOHN ESPY, son of Thomas and Martha Morehead Espy, was b. 1759; d. in Clark County, Ga., 1834; m. Elizabeth Parke; was a pensioner of the Revolution. His children were:

13. i. *Thomas*, m. Eleanore Witherspoon.
- ii. *Polly*, m. Wm. Parke and d. childless.
14. iii. *Martha*, m. Richard Wilson.

iv. *Jane*, m. Moses Wilson and had issue:

1. *Mrs. Betsey Haynes*. 2. *Mrs. Elvina Colby*. 3. *Mary J. James*. 4. *Washington*. 5. *Robert*, of Atlanta, Ga.

15. v. *Elizabeth*, m. James S. Witherspoon.

vi. *James*, d. unmarried.

16. vii. *Robert*, m.

viii. *Josiah*, d. unmarried.

VII. JAMES ESPY, son of Thomas and Martha Morehead Espy, was b. 1759; was a pensioner of the Revolution; m. Sarah Baker of Virginia, and had:

i. *Polly*, m. Mr. Fulton and had: 1. *Mrs. Sarah Ormsbury*, Rome, Ga. 2. *William*, Nashville, Tenn. 3. *Mrs. Mordicai Edwards*. 4. *John*. 5. *Mrs. Mary E. Lawrence*, Rome, Ga.

VIII. JOSEPH ESPY, son of Thomas and Martha Morehead Espy, b. 1766; m. Polly Bennett and had issue:

i. *Thirza*, m. Mr. Mitchell and removed to Ohio.

ii. *Mrs. James B. Carlton*, whose children are: *James, Joseph, William, George, Harry and Benjamin*.

IX. ELIZABETH ESPY OATS, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Sloan Espy, was b. March 25, 1789; m. Wm. Oats of Lincoln County, N. C. They had:

i. *Franklin*, d. 1875, Paris, Texas.

ii. *Thomas W.*, d. 1889.

iii. *Rufus*, d. 1877.

iv. *Fannie*, m. James McMahon, d. 1894.

v. *Mary*, m. M. Chandler; d. 1873.

vi. *Samuel*, d. 1878, in Pelham, Alabama.

vii. *Stanhope*, d. 1889.

viii. *Margaret*, m. Jacob Beam; d. 1882.

ix. *Martha*, still living and unmarried.

x. *Addison*, still living and unmarried.

xi. *Mrs. Ellen Plonk* of Lincolnton, N. C.

X. JOHN ESPY, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Sloan

Espy, was b. Mar. 12, 1791; m.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Jane Oats; d. 1833.} \\ \text{Esther Clark; d. 1869,} \end{array} \right.$   
and his children were:

- i. *William* went west and is lost.
- ii. *Eliza*, d. unmarried.
- iii. *Robert*, d. unmarried.
- iv. *Samuel*, b. July 1, 1837; m. N. M. Powell and had issue: 1. *James*, 2. *Joseph*, 3. *Mary*, 4. *Mattie*, 5. *Laura*, 6. *Jennie*, 7. *Flora*.
- v. *Joseph*, d. unmarried.

XI. THOMAS ESPY, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Sloan Espy, was b. March 4, 1793; m. first Mahalah Brown and had issue:

- i. *James Brown*, b. 1827; m. first Edna Long and had one son, *Victor W.* He m. secondly Mary A. E. daughter of his Uncle Joseph Espy and had: 1. *Barto Bee*, 2. *Mary Low*, 3. *Minnie J.*

Thomas Espy m. secondly Sarah Rosseau and had:

- ii. *Rev. Thomas Benton*, b. Feb. 13, 1837; m. and left a family at Little Rock, Ark. Two of his sons, *James* and *A. Judson*, are living at St. Louis.
- iii. *Columbus*, b. March 19, 1838; was a brave soldier of the 19th. Alabama Regt. Confederate Army, and d. April 1862 from wounds received at the battle of Corinth, Miss.; was unmarried.
- iv. *Sarah Victoria*, b. Jan. 9, 1840; m. John Tripp; she d. 1870; had daughter who m. Thomas C. Espy, grandson of Samuel and Drucilla Espy.
- v. *Olivia Adaliza*, b. Nov. 5, 1841; m. Joseph Espy.
- vi. *Marcellus A.*, b. June 15, 1845; served during the Civil War in the 19th. Alabama Regiment Confederate Army: was captured on

the retreat to Atlanta in 1864, and was a prisoner of war at Rock Island, Ill.; m. Sallie, daughter of Dr. Mathews of Cherokee, Ala. His children are: 1. *Albert*, 2. *Alma*, 3. *John*, 4. *Dayton*, now residing in Albertville, Ala., to educate his children.

vii. *Virgil H.*, b. March 3, 1847; d. unmarried.

XII. JOSEPH ESPY, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Sloan Espy, was b. Jan. 21, 1803; d. Nov. 26, 1875; m. Margaret Duff; she died childless and he m. secondly, Jean Hargis, b. Oct. 3, 1808; d. Oct. 24, 1887. Their children were:

- i. *Mary A. E.*, b. Aug. 14, 1834; m. her cousin James Brown Espy.
- ii. *Frances Margaret*, b. Sept. 28, 1836; still living on her father's homestead at Fouche, Ga.; a noble Christian woman who has never married, but has been a mother to the children of her brother Joseph. It is to her efforts that we are indebted for all the knowledge of the descendants of Robert and Thomas Espy.
- iii. *Joseph Samuel*, b. Dec. 11, 1838; when sixteen years of age his left thigh was broken in an accident, laming him for life, but this did not prevent him serving in Co. D. 65th. Regt. Ga. Vol. Inf., in the Confederate Army, during the Civil war; Oct. 31, 1865, he m. Olivia A. daughter of his uncle, Thomas Espy, who d. Feb. 1880; they had issue: 1. *Paul*, b. March 18, 1869, 2. *Mark L.* b. April 19, 1871, 3. *Ira G.*, b. March 13, 1873, 4. *James C.*, b. July 12, 1875. 5. *Mercy D. V.*, b. May 31, 1878. Mr. Espy is a wagon-maker and farmer of Fouche, Ga., and his family have been brought up in a pious and most respectable manner.

- iv. *James Hargis*, b. June 16. 1841; d. February 19, 1862, at Savannah, Ga.; unmarried and a soldier of the Civil War. He volunteered in 1861 and was corporal of a company called, "Free Men of Floyd Co." 8th. Regt. Ga., State Troops.
- v. *Rev. David Thomas*, b. May 13, 1851; d. April 3, 1896; m. Dorothea Elizabeth, orphan daughter of George Duke of Warren County, N. C., and had: 1. *George Duke*, of Summerville, Ga., 2. *Joseph O.*, 3. *Effie M.*, 4. *Dayton E.*, 5. *Mary D.*, 6. *Nettie*, 7. *Thomas Judson*, 8. *Battie S.*, 9. *Boyce P.*, 10. *Ruth*.

XIII. THOMAS ESPY, son of John and Elizabeth Parke Espy, m. Eleanor Witherspoon of Lincoln County, N. C., and had one son:

- i. *James*, m. Anne Schriener; d. at Live Oak, Florida, perfectly blind. His children are: 1. *James*, d. in Civil War, 2. *Martha*, 3. *Joseph*, m. and has family at Live Oak, Florida.

XIV. MARTHA ESPY, daughter of John and Elizabeth Parke Espy, m. Richard Wilson and had issue:

- i. *John Espy*, d. unmarried, aged 78.
- ii. *Thomas*, d. unmarried, aged 76.
- iii. *Holmes*, m. and had one daughter.
- iv. *Mary A.*, m. Joseph Blatchford and had one son, *William*, who d. in Civil War.
- v. *Robert C.*, m. Martha Stovall and had *Edgar Stovall*.
- vi. *Florence*, d. unmarried.
- vii. *Edgar*, m. has family in Macon, Ga.
- viii. *Richard*, m. lives at Sparta, Ga.
- ix. *James Franklin*.
- x. *Martha Angeline*.
- x. *Richard Jefferson*.
- xii. *Lorinia*, living unmarried at Calhoun, Ga.

xiii. *William Jackson*, d. in Civil War, unmarried.

XV. ELIZABETH ESPY, daughter of John and Elizabeth Parke Espy, m. James S. Witherspoon and had issue:

- i. *John Espy*, d. aged 18.
- ii. *Amanda*, d. unmarried, aged 32.
- iii. *Cicero Virgil*, d. unmarried, aged 29.
- iv. *Eleanore Emily*, still living aged 85 years.
- v. *James A.*, d. unmarried, aged 65 years.
- vi. *Caroline M.*, m. James Laing, is childless widow, aged 75.
- vii. *Robert Lindsay*, m. Mary Boone and had one child Prof. John Espy, of Georgia State Agricultural College.

XVI. ROBERT ESPY, son of John and Elizabeth Parke Espy, m. and had issue:

- i. *Louisa*, m. John Wier.
- ii. *Calvin*, m. Miss Morris and was killed in the Civil War. His son, *John* lives near Jefferson, Jackson County, Ga. His son, *James* went to Texas and married.
- iii. *Mrs. Eliza A. Freeman*.
- iv. *David*, m. and lives in Louisiana. His grandsons are *Robert*, New Orleans, and *J. H.* at Bay St. Louis, Miss.
- v. *Elizabeth*, m. David McClesky.
- vi. *Sarah*, d. unmarried.
- vii. *William*, m. and lives at Bogart, Ga.
- viii. *John F.*, m. and lives at Beaufort, S. C.; has a son *William*, Pres. of Espy Cotton Co., Savannah, Ga.
- ix. *James*, killed in Civil War.
- x. *Mrs. Fannie Wood*.
- xi. *Mrs. Julia Murphy*.
- xii. *Mrs. Lucinda Stewart*.
- xiii. *Mrs. Martha Shields*.

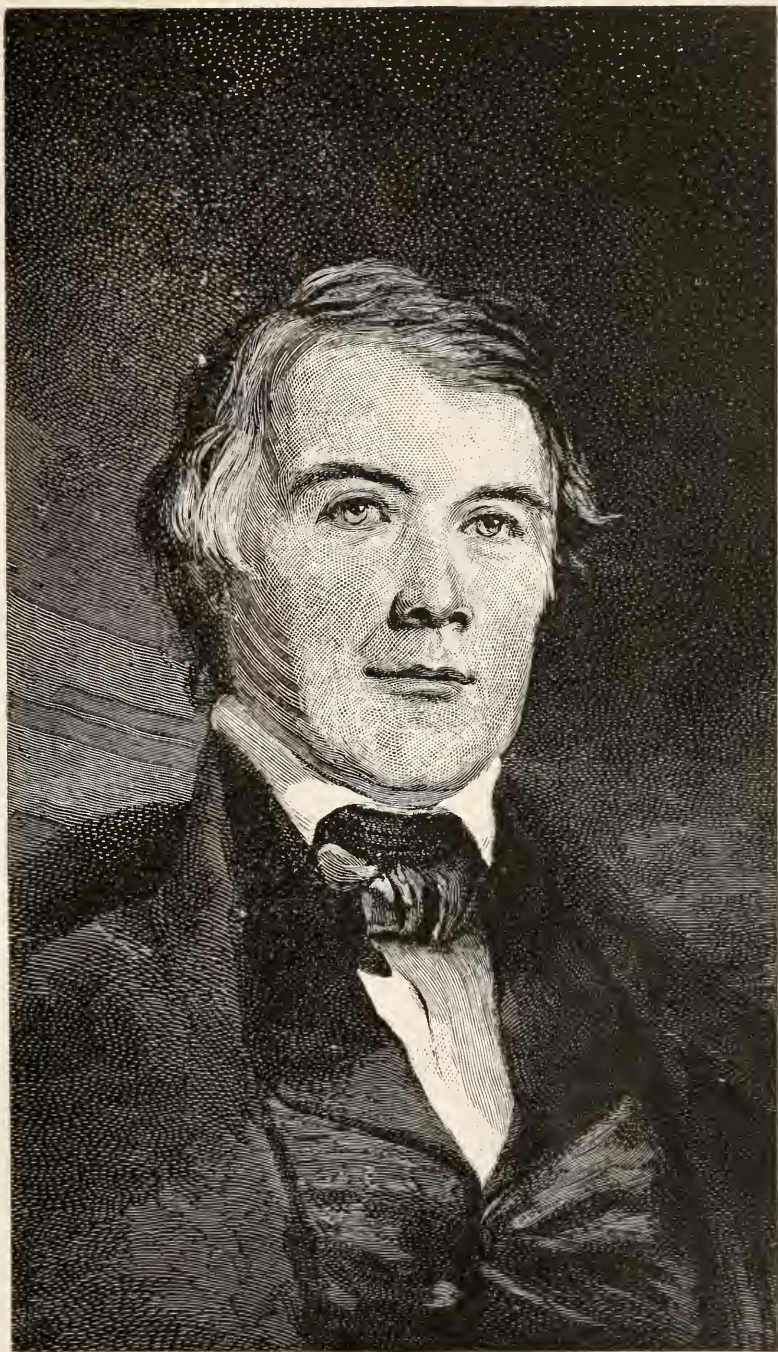


### Descendants of George and Jean Taylor Espy.

I. GEORGE ESPY, son of Josiah and Priscilla Mitchell Espy, was born in County Antrim, Ireland, in 1695, where he was married in the year 1714, to Jean Taylor, who was born in County Tyrone, May 7, 1699. They came to America with their young family in 1725 and settled finally on the Swatara in what was then Derry Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He had land warrants for two hundred acres in Derry Township, 1738, and 150 acres May 14, 1750. George was a staunch Presbyterian and a member of the Donegal Presbytery in 1735. Jean Taylor Espy died at the home of her son, Josiah, June 5, 1781, near Carlisle Pa. George Espy died in Derry Township, March, 1761, and is buried in the old Derry church-yard. Had issue:

- i. *William*, b. 1716; was married in the First Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, March 22, 1735, to Margaret Brading. He was an early settler on the frontier and owned much land about the present town of "Espy," Luzerne County, Pa., which is named in his honor. To this couple no children were born, the wife dying soon after reaching her home in the wilderness. William died in August, 1761, leaving his estate to his brothers and sisters. His marriage is found in Vol. 2, "Pennsylvania Marriages" and his will is recorded in Lancaster.
- ii. *James*, b. 1718; d. unmarried.
- 1. iii. *John*, b. 1720; m. Ann Montgomery.
- iv. *Mary*, b. 1722; m. John Woods, second son of Andrew and Sarah Woods of Hanover Township, Lancaster County, at which place John died Dec. 1769. They had issue:





PROF. JAMES P. ESPY

(From the painting by Peale, now in the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.)



1. *George*, b. 1740.
2. *Andrew*, b. 1742.
3. *John*, b. 1745.
4. *William*, b. 1747.
5. *Samuel*, b. 1749. } Twins.
6. *Martha*, b. 1749. }
7. *Sarah*, b. 1751; m. Wm. Clark.
8. *Anna*, b. 1753; m. James Montgomery.
9. *Margaret*, b. 1755.
10. *Jennette*, b. 1758. } Twins.
11. *Mary*, b. 1758. }
12. *Elizabeth*, b. 1760.
- v. *Jean*, b. 1725, (twin.)
- vi. *Elizabeth*, b. 1725; m. James Forster, b. 1710; a soldier of the Revolution; son of William Forster and his wife Rachel Kelly, daughter of Patrick Kelly of Deny Tp., Lancaster County, Pa.
2. vii. *Josiah*, b. 1727; m. Elizabeth Patterson.
3. viii. *David*, b. 1730; m. Jane Woods.
4. ix. *George*, b. 1732; m. Elizabeth Crain.
- x. *Anna*, b. 1736; m. William Crain, b. 1742 and died Jan. 8, 1802. He was a private in Capt. William Brown's Co., of Lancaster, County, Associators in 1776; was the son of William Crain and Jean, his wife, natives of County Down, Ireland, came to America in 1732.

m. 1757 to Robert Crain, Ferry  
 at home of David m. Nain  
 Rev. John

I. JOHN ESPY, third child of George and Jean Taylor Espy, b. 1720 in north of Ireland, came to this country with his parents while very young; married Ann Montgomery in Derry Township, in 1738. He had land warrants for 100 acres in Derry Nov. 3, 1753; is known to have been taxed for 282 acres of land, 2 horses and 5 cattle for the year 1781 in Cumberland County, but was in Wyoming in 1770. He died in Cumberland County, July 7, 1774. When or where Ann died is not

known. He had issue:

5.    *i.*    *Thomas*, b. 1739; m. Ann Hamilton.
6.    *ii.*   *James*, b. 1741; m. Martha McKnight.
- iii.*   *Jean*, b. 1743.
- iv.*   *Benjamin*, b. 1745.
- v.*    *Elizabeth*, b. 1747. Doubtless others.

II. JOSIAH ESPY, seventh child of George and Jean Espy, was b. in Derry Township, Lancaster County, Pa., in 1727, m. Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Patterson, Sr., of Upper Paxtang Township, in 1758 and settled in Cumberland County, but moved about from place to place. He is known to have been one of the original proprietors of Hanover Township, Luzerne County and drew lot No. 18. He was at Wyoming in 1770; was a member of the committee of Public Safety, for Turbitt Township, Northumberland County, Feb. 13, 1777. (NOTE. Proof is to be found on page 359, Vol. 2, "Pennsylvania in the Revolution—Associators and Militia.") Was taxed for 200 acres of land in Cumberland County, in 1781. Removed to Westmorland County, in 1783, where his youngest and most distinguished son, *James P.* was born in 1785, when Mrs. Espy was nearly 50 years old. In 1786 the subject of this sketch with his wife and younger children moved to Kentucky, settling near Lexington. Josiah Espy died in Nov. 1801 and his wife, Nov. 19, 1809, in Green County, Ohio, whither they had gone some years earlier. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Espy lived with her daughter, *Mrs. Martha Mitchell*. Her son, *Josiah*, who had been left a lad with his uncle, Col. David Espy, of Bedford, describes in his journal a visit in 1805 at the home of Mrs. Mitchell, to his venerable mother, whom he had not seen for seventeen years. Josiah and Elizabeth Espy were members of the Presbyterian Church and are buried in the "Massie's Creek" grave-yard. They had issue:

7.    *i.*    *George*, b. 1759; m. Polly Patterson.
8.    *ii.*   *John*, b. 1761; m. Mary Allen.



9. *iii. Mary*, b. 1763; m. Joseph Stevenson.
10. *iv. Thomas*, b. 1767; m. Elizabeth Patterson.
11. *v. Anna*, b. 1769; m. Joseph Simpson.
12. *vi. Josiah*, b. 1771; m. Maria Moore Murdock.
13. *vii. Hugh*, b. 1774; m. Sarah Bartholomew.
14. *viii. Martha*, b. 1777; m. James Mitchell.
15. *ix. David*, b. 1779; m. Dorcas Keene.
16. *x. James*, b. 1785; m. Margaret Pollard.

*See* III. DAVID ESPY, eighth child of George and Elizabeth Espy, was b. in Derry Township, Lancaster County, Pa., 1730, and d. June 13, 1795, in Bedford, Pa. He studied law and early in life removed to Bedford County, where he became prominent in public affairs. At the outset of the Revolution he entered heartily into the contest; was deputy to the Provincial Conference held at Carpenters Hall, Philadelphia, June 18, 1775; member of the Council of Public Safety, July 23, 1776, and Col. of battalion of associators; was prothonotary of Bedford County, Dec. 18, 1778; one of the justices of that county, Dec. 18, 1778 and under the Constitution of 1780-90, prothonotary, register, etc., from Dec. 23, 1790, to the date of his death. He was one of the original trustees of Dickinson College and a member of the General Assembly of the State. The Provincial records contain many references to him and his actions. Col. Espy, married Jane Woods, daughter of Sarah and Andrew Woods of Lancaster County and Sister of George Woods, a man of mark in Bedford during the Revolutionary period; she was born in 1735; died in 1813. In 1785 Col. Espy was taxed for 1316 acres of land in Bedford County. Proof of his Revolutionary service is in Vol. 14, 2nd. series, "Archives of Pennsylvania." His children were:

- i. Capt. David*, b. 1777 and died unmarried in Bedford in 1818. The Anderson family have his commission as Captain.
17. *ii. Mary*, b. 1779; m. Dr. John Anderson.

iii. *George*, b. 1781; d. 1855, unmarried.

IV. GEORGE ESPY, ninth child of George and Jean Espy was b. in Derry Township, Lancaster County, Pa., in 1732, m. Elizabeth Crain, the daughter of William and Jean Crain of County Down, Ireland, who came to America in 1732. George Espy settled in Cumberland County, near Newville and he was a "ruling elder" of the "Big Spring" Presbyterian Church in 1764. Aug. 30, 1776, he was a private in Col. Timothy Green's battalion, Capt. Richard McQuon's Co., of Lancaster County, and served in the Jersey campaigns. He was detailed in 1777—8, from the 3rd. Co., 6th. battalion, to set in court martials. Proof of the foregoing is found on p. 380, Vol. 2, 2nd. series, "Pennsylvania Archives" George Espy held land warrants for 200 acres in Cumberland County, in 1785. George Espy, farmer, paid 40 £ tax in Cumberland County in 1781. He died in Cumberland County in 1787 and his wife, died at the home of her son, *George*, in Philadelphia, in 1830. Had issue:

- i. *John*, b. 1769; m. Margaret Huston, Nov. 10, 1789, at Newville, Pa., service by Rev. Samuel Wilson. Had one son and two daughters all of whom settled about Pittsburgh, after their father's death.
- ii. *Elizabeth*, b. 1771.
- iii. *George*, b. 1773; m. Rebecca Glenn, Feb. 4, 1813, service by Rev. Joshua Williams of Big Spring Church. George and John Espy occupied pew No. 28 in Big Spring Church in 1790. He removed to Philadelphia about 1825. His children were:
  1. *Thressa*, b. Feb. 14, 1814; d. 1885 unmarried.
  2. *Augustus*, b. June 16, 1816; d. 1838 unmarried.
  3. *Ada*, b. May 19, 1817; m. John Piper of Lacon, Ill.; d. without children.
  4. *B.* b. Oct. 19, 1820; d. 1845 unmarried.

5. *Caroline Rebecca*, living at No. 66, N. 34th. Street, Philadelphia, Penn.  
iv. *Christina*, b. 1775; m. John Hawks, Aug. 16, 1796.  
v. *Jane*, b.———m. Mr. White of Pittsburg.

V. THOMAS ESPY, the eldest child of John and Ann Montgomery Espy, was born in Lancaster County, in 1739; d. in Carlisle, 1808. He signed a "call" for Rev. Samuel Wilson to Big Spring Church in 1786. He occupied pew No. 18 in that church in 1790. In 1767 he m. Anna Hamilton, who was b. 1747, the daughter of Alexander Hamilton, killed by the Indians during the Revolution and sister of Robert Hamilton a boy soldier. She d. at the home of her son, *James*, in 1808. Thomas Espy was a private in Capt. Robert McCallen's Co., Col., Galbraith's battalion, Lancaster County Militia, Aug. 20, 1775. Proof of his service is on p. 343, Vol. 13, 2nd. series, Pennsylvania Archives. Thomas Espy died early in 1808 and left the following children:

- i. *Margaret*, b. 1769; m. Samuel Wilson.  
18. ii. *William*, b. 1771; m. Elizabeth Nesbit.  
iii. *Rachel*, b. 1773; m. Robert Bell, May 29, 1788.  
iv. *Anna*, b. 1776; m. James Grier, Feb. 12, 1805.  
19. v. *Robert Hamilton*, b. 1778; m. Elizabeth Carson.  
vi. *Elizabeth*, b. 1780; m. Moses Wallace.  
20. vii. *James*, b. 1782; m. Jane Fife.  
viii. *Jane*, b. 1790; m. John Maloney or McLowney.  
These dates were all found in Big Spring Church records, Newville, Pa.

VI. JAMES ESPY, second son of John and Ann Montgomery Espy, was b. Aug. 10, 1741; m. Martha McKnight, daughter of Mrs. Joseph Wilson, in Derry Church, Dec. 14, 1762, Rev. John Roan, officiating. James Espy is known to have paid church assessment in Paxtang in 1770, but was located in Northumberland County later, where he served as First Lieut., 11th. Co. of Samuel Hunter's battalion of associators. Proof of



that is found on p. 338, Vol. 14, 2nd. series, Archives of Pennsylvania. Later he is known to have owned a tract of land near Easton which his sons inherited. He died in Philadelphia, July 5, 1843. He had issue:

- i. *James*, b. 1763; m.———had among others, *John*, b. 1788, who m. *Mary Dinwiddie* in 1814. Their daughter, *Mrs. Margaret Thompson*, had *Miss Mary Espy Thompson*, of Kenton, Ohio.
- ii. *Samuel*, b. 1765; m. Had a son *Job*, whose grandson, *Edward* and family, still live in Philadelphia, and three other sons.
- iii. *Thomas*, b. 1767; m. *Jean Sloan*; emigrated to North Carolina, taking with him *Eliza*, *Thomas* and *Millie*, but all are lost to history.
- iv. *Jean*, b. 1770.
- v. *John*, b. 1772.
- vi. *William*, b. 1775; m. Had son, *Dr. William O. Espy*, b. 1803; d. in Benton, Illinois, 1861; was twice m. and had among others: *S. B. Espy*, of Benton, Ill., who has daughter, *Mrs. Nettie Ward*, Manitou, Colo.
- vii. *Ann*, b. June 6, 1779 in Northumberland County, Pa., m. *Loftus Noel* in the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, May 25, 1795 and removed to Kentucky. Had issue: 1. *Washington*, 2. *Garnet*, 3. *Beverly*, 4. *Maria C.*, m. Rev. *William M. McReynolds* and had *Mary Ellen*, now Mrs. *J. K. Marley*, Lincoln, Neb., and *Miss Fannie McReynolds*, Dayton, O., 5. *Adeline*, 6. *Emily*, 7. *Sarah*, 8. *Albert*, 9. *Theodore*.
- viii. *Elizabeth*, m. *Cornelius McLean* in First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, May 11, 1799, and all trace of her is lost.

VII. *GEORGE ESPY*, eldest child of *Josiah* and *Elizabeth Patterson Espy*, was b. in 1759 in Cumberland

County, Pa. In youth he learned the shoe-maker's trade, entered the Revolutionary War at 16 years of age from Northumberland County and was a bare-foot boy at Valley Forge. He was granted a pension for this service in 1832. George and his brother, Thomas, went to Fayette County soon after the close of the war and in Oct. 1784, George married Polly, daughter of his uncle, Peter Patterson Jr., in Old Redstone Church. In 1789 George Espy settled Espyville, Crawford County and for some years carried on a saw mill, grist mill and distillery near the "Big Spring." In their later years Mr. Espy and wife adopted the Swedenborgian faith. In 1813 George Espy was commissioned captain and marched to Fort Erie with his three sons, *Patterson*, *Thomas Stevenson* and *James*, and most of the able-bodied men of the neighborhood, but this company was not mustered in for service. George and Polly Patterson died and were buried on their farm at Espyville. He dying in 1835 and she some years earlier. They had issue:

21. i. *Nancy*, b. 1785; m. Anthony Bennett.
22. ii. *Patterson*, b. 1786; m. Mercy Freeman.
23. iii. *Josiah*, b. 1788; m. Susan Denny.
  - iv. *Thomas Stevenson*, b. 1792; d. 1813 on the march to Lake Erie and was brought back to Espyville and buried on the home lot.
24. v. *Anna*, b. 1794; m. Josiah Espy Stevenson.
  - vi. *George Richard*, b. Feb. 23, 1796, at Espyville, Pa., d. Feb. 23, 1849, at Fort Madison, Iowa, and is buried in the old city grave-yard. He studied medicine and practiced his profession at Franklin, Venango County, Pa., where he was a prominent man in the early part of the century. He was for a number of years a member of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth and made Auditor-General in 1839, holding this position for five years. Failing health caused him to re-

tire from active life and he ended his days at the home of his nephew, General Thomas S. Espy. He was never married and he left a large estate.

- 25. *vii.* *James*, b. 1798; m. Nancy Espy.
- 26. *viii.* *John*, b. 1800; m. Margaret Free.
- ix.* *Hugh McConnick*, b. 1802; d. 1859. He m. Leonora Murry who died within a year when he m. secondly, Jane Green by whom he had two children: *Viola*, m. John Fetterman, lives at Oneida, Tenn. *Fred*, b. Aug. 19, 1844; d. June 4, 1885; m. first Rachel Williamson, had *Fred* and *Frank*, Bowl, Tenn; m. second, June 4, 1882, Anna M. Carr, b. July 27, 1857; they had: *Walter Hugh*, b. June 16, 1885.
- x.* *David*, b. 1804, d. 1860; m. Jane Murry. They had among others *Lucy* and *Murry*. Murry m. at Warsaw, Ind. Carrie———He died in 1863 leaving one son whose daughter, *Maud*, lives at Edwardsville, Mich.

VIII. JOHN ESPY, second child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. in 1761, lived for a number of years in Union County, Pa., where he m. in 1795 Mary Ann Allen, sister of John Allen a soldier of the Revolution. Removed to Mercer County and bought a farm near the town of Mercer, July 6, 1815, where he died in 1830. John Espy was always a farmer and a strict Presbyterian. His wife lived to be 93 years old. They had issue:

- i.* *Josiah*, b. 1797; d. 1861; m. Mary A. Miller, but had no children.
- 27. *ii.* *Cynthia*, b. 1799; m. John Sankey.
- 25. *iii.* *Nancy*, b. 1800; m. James Espy.
- 28. *iv.* *Samuel Allen*, b. 1803; m. Sarah McDonald.
- v.* *George W.* b. 1806; d. aged six months.

- vi. *Elizabeth*, b. 1807; m. David Jackson.
- vii. *Ruth*, b. 1810; d. in infancy.

IX. MARY ESPY, third child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy was b. in 1763. She was married at Carlisle, Pa., to Joseph Stevenson in 1782. He was a soldier of the Revolution. After the death of Mr. Stevenson she m. a Mr. Caldwell of Cumberland, Md., and for her third husband she m. a Mr. Scott. Mr. Stevenson was the father of all her children. She was a very large, handsome woman and deeply religious, being a member of the Presbyterian church. She d. in Kittanning, Pa., at the home of her son, Aug. 1833. Her children were:

- i. *George Espy*, b. 1783. Became a minister and died a few hours after preaching his trial sermon in 1808. He was unmarried.
- ii. *Margaret*, b. 1785. A dwarf and weak minded.
- iii. *Elizabeth*, b. 1786. Was suffocated in a "trundel-bed" while playing "hide and seek." Aged seven years.
- iv. *John H.*, b. 1788; was a merchant of Gettysburg, Pa.; d. in Philadelphia in 1868; m. a Miss Russell and had: *Alex.*, *John* and *Russell*.

- 24. v. *Josiah Espy*, b. 1792; m. Anna Espy.
- 29. vi. *Joseph Patterson*, b. 1792; m. three times.
- 68. vii. *Maria*, b. 1795; m. McKee.
- 69. viii. *Mary Anna*, b. 1803; m. Frederick Robrer.

X. THOMAS ESPY, fourth child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. 1767; m. in Fayette County, Pa., at Old Redstone Church, in the year 1785, his cousin Elizabeth Patterson, daughter of William Patterson a Revolutionary soldier. They came to the northwest territory and settled in what is now Warren County, Ohio, in 1795. About two years later he was one of the early settlers on the Little Miami and became the

owner of a fine farm. In connection with Gov. Morrow, he helped to organize the first Associate Reformed church north-west of the Ohio river. Later in life he removed to Rossville, Butler County, Ohio, and dying there in 1833 was buried in the old grave-yard at Hamilton, which is now a city park. Thomas Espy was afflicted with cataract on his eyes in his old age. His wife died in 1840 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jacobs, near Piqua, O. They had issue:

- i. *Mary*, b. 1786; m. John Kibby, had nine daughters all of whom are dead but the tenth child and only son, *Judge John F. Kibby* is still living at Richmond, Ind.
- ii. *Anna*, b. 1788; m. John Jacobs and has children living at Piqua, O.
- 30. iii. *Josiah*, b. 1790; m. Margaret Mitchell.
- 31. iv. *William Patterson*, b. 1792; m. Elizabeth Johnson.
- v. *Betsey*, b. 1794; died unmarried.
- 32. vi. *Nancy*, b. 1798; m. John Morrow.
- vii. *Sarah*, b. 1800; m. Thos. L. Steele, no children.
- 33. viii. *Thomas*, b. 1802; m. Susan Morton.
- 34. ix. *James*, b. 1803; m. Eliza Sifes.
- x. *Matilda*, b. 1807; m. William Linn, no children.
- 35. xi. *George M.*, b. 1812; m. Mrs. Lucinda Parvin.

XI. ANNA ESPY, fifth child of Josiah and Elizabeth Espy, b. 1769, was m. near Lexington, Ky., Feb. 28, 1797, to Joseph Simpson and settled in Mount Sterling, where they lived till 1818, when Joseph Simpson removed to Princeton, Ky., where Anna d. 1831. This couple had portraits painted that are now owned by Miss Ann Wetherhold, Macomb, Ill. Their children were:

- i. *Jane Burr*, b. Dec. 19, 1797; m. Mr. Garnett.
- ii. *Elizabeth*, b. Dec. 19, 1799; m. Dr. Haydon.
- iii. *Maria*, b. March 17, 1801; m. Mr. Rowland.



36. *iv. Martha Mitchell*, b. March 4, 1803; m. Burr Caldwell.
37. *v. James Wilkinson*, b. Dec. 20, 1804; m. E. Hathaway.
38. *vi. Caroline*, b. Oct. 1, 1806; m. McGowan.
- vii. Josiah Espy*, b. Nov. 2, 1808; m. Ann Eliza Rice. Had issue:
1. *Benjamin*, m. Flora Walker.
  2. *William*, m. Beulah Allison.
  3. *Joseph Espy*, m. Helen Dean.
  4. *Julia Frances*, m. A. P. Wetherhold.
  5. *Clay S.*, m. first, Sarah Brawley, second, Lucy Good.
  6. *James*, m. Jane Watson.
- viii. Julia Ann*, b. Jan. 10, 1810; d. 1870, unmarried.
- ix. George Washington*, b. May 12, 1812.

XII. JOSIAH ESPY, sixth child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was born in 1771. When his father moved to Kentucky, Josiah remained with his uncle David, of Bedford, which gave him some social and educational advantages, he would not otherwise have had. In 1791 he received an appointment as clerk in the War Department at Philadelphia; later was in the State Legislature from Bedford. In 1805 he visited Ohio, of which tour he preserved a brief journal, which has been published in the "Ohio Valley Historical Series." Later in life he located at Columbus, Ohio. Was cashier of the Franklin bank of that place from 1826 till 1843. He married in 1812, Maria Moore Murdock, daughter of Judge Patrick Henry Murdock of Cumberland, Md. Josiah Espy d. 1847 in Columbus, O. His children were:

39. *i. Henry Patrick*, b. 1814; m. Lucy Crain.
40. *ii. Lovinia*, b. 1818; m. James F. Morehead.
- iii. James*, b. 1824; m. Jane T. Andrews, 1854, has, 1. *James*, 2. *Arthur*, 3. *Janie*. He is

- still living (1905) and is president of the Ohio Valley National Bank, Cincinnati, O.
- iv. *Isabella, M.*, b. 1827; m. Dr. Francis Carter in 1854. Dr. Carter was Dean of Sterling Medical College, Columbus, O., where his widow d. in Oct. 1902. They had no children.
- 41 v. *Ellen Graham*, b. 1829; m. James Colbertson McCoy.
- Josiah Espy was the father of five other children who d. young.

XIII. HUGH ESPY, seventh child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. May 4, 1774, and d. of cholera, at Jeffersonville, Ind., Oct. 21, 1832. He was a cabinet-maker, but settling very early in Indiana, he became a school teacher; was m. at Clarksville, Ind., to Sarah, daughter of General Joseph Bartholomew and Christiana, his wife, of Laurel Hill, Pa. General Bartholomew was an Indian scout at 10 years of age and a soldier of the Revolution. Was severely wounded in the battle of Tippecanoe in the war of 1812 and promoted to Brigadier General. He removed to McLean County, Ill., where he died in 1830. *Sarah*, his eldest child was b. Sept. 26, 1778 and d. Jan. 20, 1859. Hugh Espy, after his marriage became a farmer and owned 1000 acres of land and many slaves. He was a follower of Emanuel Swedenborg; served in war of 1812 in Capt. Morris' company, from Sept. 11th. to Nov. 24th. 1811. (See Filson Club's Publication, No. 15. "The Battle of Tippecanoe.") He had issue:

- i. *Josiah Bartholomew*, b. June 7, 1807; d. Mar. 7, 1831; unmarried.
- ii. *Mariah*, b. Dec. 1, 1808; m. 1830, Charles Morris and settled in Bloomfield, Iowa. Has children.
- iii. *John Milton*, b. Aug. 3, 1810; m. June 12, 1834, Elizabeth McClintock. Had 2 sons.



iv. *James Thomas*, (twin) b. Aug. 3, 1810; d. Sept. 11, 1831; unmarried.

v. *Catherine M.*, b. 1815; m. 1834, James B. McHolland; has children living in Washington, Ind.

42. vi. *Eliza*, b. Feb. 1817; m. 1839, John Alloway.

43. vii. *George Newport*, b. Nov. 1819; m. 1842, Hannah Smith.

viii. *Isaac Hugh*, b. Oct. 1822; m. Ann Sabine in 1847, who d. 1889. He was a wealthy and influential man at Jeffersonville, Ind., before the war. He has no children; now lives at Chester, Ill., with Mrs. Wilkinson, a niece whom he adopted.

44. ix. *David Emanuel*, b. Feb. 1824; m. 1848, Mary Shields.

45. x. *Sarah Jane*, b. Sept. 1826; m. 1848, C. McClintock.

XIV. MARTHA ESPY, youngest daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. Aug. 3, 1777; d. Sept. 1864. She was m. to James Mitchell, son of David and Margaret Mitchell of Derry Township, Lancaster County, Pa., in 1794; while her parents were yet in Kentucky, but the young couple soon removed to Green County, Ohio, where they lived and died. Mr. Mitchell and his wife were Seceder Presbyterians in faith. Their children were:

30. i. *Margaret*, b. Aug. 3, 1795; m. Josiah Espy.

ii. *David*, b. 1797; m. Mary Morrow; daughter of Governor Morrow; d. 1850 at Manisville, O., and left children.

iii. *Eliza*, b. 1799; m. Adam Winter; d. 1839 and left ten children.

iv. *Anna Stevenson*, b. 1802; m. David Jackson; d. 1861.

v. *Maria*, b. 1803; m. James Currie; d. 1848, left one son.

- vi. *James Espy*, b. 1805; m.—; d. 1860 and left children.
- vii. *Josiah*, b. 1807; d. 1863; unmarried.
- viii. *Thomas*, b. 1811; m.—; has children, Platts-mouth, Neb.
- ix. *Sarah*, b. 1813; m.—; d. childless in 1860.
- x. *Robert Armstrong*, b. 1815; m. Miss Campbell; d. 1896.
- 47. xi. *Francis R.*, b. 1817; m. Louise Wright.
- 48. xii. *Samuel Kyle*, b. 1822; m. Elizabeth—.

XV. DAVID ESPY, ninth child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. 1779. He settled near his brother Thomas, in Warren County, Ohio, before he was of age. He purchased from his brother 100 acres of land for \$350.00 on which he built a home. The post-village of Twenty Mile Stand (20 miles from Cincinnati) is on this land. He subsequently purchased other and larger tracts. He is remembered as a neat and dressy old man, the last survivor of the pioneers of the region in which he lived. He married Dorcas Keene. Though not a man of wealth he retired in old age from the active labor of his farm and lived at ease. He had received the doctrine of Swedenborg from his brother Josiah; and at his large and comfortable house the ministers of the "new church" were made welcome, and there they sometimes preached "the heavenly doctrine of the New Jerusalem." His brother, Prof. James Espy, was a frequent visitor and he sometimes, sitting on a chair in David's parlor would give conversational lectures to the neighbors and friends on rain-storms and tornadoes. David Espy d. in 1863. He had issue:

- 49. i. *Mary*, b.—; m. John Westcott.
- ii. *James*, died unmarried.
- iii. *Eliza*, m. first, G. S. Stine, second, Rev. D. Powell; no issue.
- iv. *Ann*, m. Ezekiel Woodruff in 1829; lived on a farm in Warren County, Ohio; had issue:

1. *Mary*, 2. *Eliza*, m. Samuel Ware; 3. *Josiah*, 4. *Sarah*, 5. *David*, (twin) and 6. *Dorcas*, m. Thomas Blackburn.
- v. *Eunice*, d. unmarried; was executrix of her father's will.
- vi. *Josiah*, died unmarried.

XVI. JAMES ESPY, youngest child of Josiah and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, who after his marriage wrote his name James Pollard Espy, was b. in Westmorland County, Pa., May 9, 1785. He was the most distinguished man of the Espy name. His youth was passed in Kentucky and Ohio, and having an ardent desire for knowledge he commenced teaching school as a means for obtaining a classical education at Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky. His brother Josiah, when at Lexington in 1805, wrote: "Here I met my youngest brother, James, whom I had not seen since he was an infant. I found him at the University where he has made considerable progress in the dead languages and in general science. He discovers an ardent desire after knowlegde and promises to be intelligent and useful." Leaving the University in 1808, he taught an academy at Cumberland, Md. He studied law and practiced that profession four years at Xenia, Ohio. In 1812 he married Miss Margaret Pollard of Cumberland, Md. In 1817 he became a teacher of classics in Philadelphia; that city was his home for twenty years. Prof. Bache says that Espy became known as one of the best Classical and Mathematical instructors in Philadelphia. He soon, however, had his attention drawn to natural science and about 1828 he began his studies and investigations in the cause of storms, which made him the foremost American Meteorologist. In 1833 he wrote a summary of his theory of the upward movement of the air in storms and of their self-sustaining power from the evolution of latent heat. In 1834 he became Meteorologist of both the Franklin Institute and the American

Philosophical society of Philadelphia. In 1836 he abandoned the profession of teaching and began lecturing before scientific bodies and popular audiences. These lectures caused him to be popularly known as the "Storm King." In 1840 he visited Europe and presented his theory of storms before the British Association and the French Academy of Science. It was during the discussion that followed the presentation of his theory before the French Academy that Arago said: "France has its Cuvier, England its Newton, America its Espy." In 1841 his "The Philosophy of Storms" was published at Boston. In 1843 he was appointed the first Meteorologist of the U. S. Government and was assigned to duty, first, under the Surgeon-General of the Army, next under the Secretary of the Navy, and finally in 1848 under the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. His four voluminous reports were published by the government. His most important scientific publication was his Fourth Report, published in 1857. His work in Washington was terminated in 1859 and he then spent sometime in visiting his relatives and friends in Ohio and Pennsylvania. While on a visit to Cincinnati, Prof. Espy was stricken with paralysis January 17, 1860, and died at the residence of his nephew, John Westcott, Jan. 24th. He was buried in the cemetery at Harrisburg by the side of his wife who had died ten years before. Soon after his death Moncure D. Conway published at Cincinnati "The Human Will, a series of Posthumous Essays by the late James Pollard Espy" with a brief memoir of the author. Mr. Conway who had known Prof. Espy intimately in Washington, says: "The character of Prof. Espy was as pure and elevated as any it has been our happiness to meet. His word, with those who met him, was truth itself; his innocence like that of a child." Prof. Espy was not a member of any church, but in Philadelphia he had a pew in the Unitarian church. He died childless, and in his will he



PROF. JAMES P. ESPY

(From his last photograph.)





bequeathed all his property (about \$20,000) to his relatives. His will is remarkable in that while his relatives both male and female, were numerous, he left no money to any male person. The name of James P. Espy, American Meteorologist, is the only Espy found worthy of a place in dictionaries of universal biography. Prof. Espy had his portrait painted by Peale; after his death it was presented to the Smithsonian Institution and now hangs up stairs in one of the offices. Miss Westcott and Mrs. Alexander also have paintings, made later.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF  
THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION ON THE  
DEATH OF PROF. JAMES P. ESPY.

Saturday, Feb. 4, 1860.

A meeting of the Board of Regents was held this day, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Present: Hon. John C. Breckinridge, Hon. James A. Pearce, Hon. S. A. Douglass, Professor C. C. Felton, Professor A. D. Bache, Hon. J. G. Berret and the Secretary.

Mr. Breckenridge was called to the chair. The minutes were read and approved. The Secretary announced the death of the following persons who had been officially connected and otherwise with the operations of the Institution: Washington Irving, an honorary member, Prof. W. W. Turner, Prof. James P. Espy and G. Wurdemann, Esqs.

Prof. Felton then addressed the Board as follows: Mr. Chancellor: The year 1859 will be memorable in the history of civilization for the number of illustrious men who have passed away from the scene of their earthly labor in its course. The year 1769 was remarkable for the number of men born in it, who have changed the whole aspect of science and letters and the political condition of the world. Of the great men born in that

year, one Humbolt, the most eminent of all, lived to the year 1859, thus spanning over the interval between them by a life of ninety years consecrated to the highest objects of human pursuits.

The Smithsonian Institution has to lament an unusual number of those connected with it among the distinguished dead of the past year. (The venerable Mr. Rush has already been fitly commemorated by a member of the Board.) I take the liberty of offering a few remarks upon two others whose death the country deplores. (Prof. Turner and Washington Irving are the men to whom he refers, and sets forth beautifully their separate talents, characters, etc.)

Prof. Bache then made the following remarks:

James P. Espy, one of the most original and successful meteorologists of the present time, died in Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 24th. of January, 1860, in the seventy-fifth year of his age, after an illness of a week, at the residence of his nephew-in-law, John Westcott.

The early career of Mr. Espy as an instructor, was marked by the qualities which led to his later distinction in science. He was of the best classical and mathematical instructors in Philadelphia, which at that day numbered Dr. Wylie, Mr. Sanderson and Mr. Crawford among its teachers.

Impressed by the researches and writings of Dalton and of Daniell on meteorology, Mr. Espy began to observe the phenomena and then to experiment on the facts which formed the ground-work of the science. As he observed, experimented and studied, his enthusiasm grew, and his desire to devote himself exclusively to the increase and diffusion of the science, finally became so strong that he determined to give up his school and to rely for the means of prosecuting his researches upon his slender savings, and the success of his lectures, probably the most original which have ever been delivered on the subject. His first course was delivered be-

fore the Franklin Institute of Pennsylvania, of which he had long been an active member, and where he met kindred spirits, ready to discuss the principles or the applications of science and prepared to extend their views over the whole horizon of physical and mechanical research. As chairman of the committee on meteorology, Mr. Espy had a large share in the organization of the complete system of meteorological observations carried on by the institute under the auspices and within the limits of the State of Pennsylvania.

“Mr. Espy’s theory of storms was developed in successive memoirs in the Journal of the Franklin Institute, containing discussions of the changes of temperature, and moisture of the air, and in the direction and force of the wind and other phenomena attending remarkable storms in the United States and on the ocean adjacent to the Atlantic and Gulf Coast. Assuming great simplicity as it was developed and founded on the established laws of physics and upon ingenious and well-directed original experiments, this theory drew general attention to itself especially in the United States. A memoir submitted anonymously to the American Philosophical society of Philadelphia, gained for Mr. Espy the Magellanic premium in the year 1836 after a discussion remarkable for ingenuity and closeness in its progress, and for the almost unanimity of its result.

Mr. Espy was eminently social in his mental habits full of bonhomie and of enthusiasm, easily kindling a glow of social mental action. In the meetings and free discussions in a club formed for promoting research, and especially for scrutinizing the labors of its members—and of which Sears L. Walker, Prof. Henry, Henry D. Rogers and myself were members—Mr. Espy found the mental stimulus he needed, and the criticism he courted, the best aids and checks on his observation, speculation, and experiments. But there was one person who had more influence upon him than all others besides, stimulating

him to progress and urging him forward in each step with a zeal which never flagged—this was his wife. Having no children to occupy her care, and being of high mental endowment and of enthusiastic temperament, she found a never-failing source of interest and gratification in watching the development of Mr. Espy's scientific ideas, the progress of his experiments, and the results of his reading and studies; the collection and collation of observations of natural phenomena in the poetical region of the storm, the tornado and of the aurora. Mrs. Espy's mind was essentially literary, and she could not aid her husband in his scientific inquiries or experiments; her health was delicate and she could not assist him in his out-door observations; but she supplied what was of more importance than these aids—a genial and loving interest ever manifested in his pursuits and successes and in his very failures. *Alere flammam* was the office of her delicate and poetical temperament. Younger than Mr. Espy, she nevertheless died some years before him in 1850, leaving him to struggle alone in the decline of life without the sustaining power of her devoted and enthusiastic nature.

Having in a great degree matured his theory of storms, having made numerous inductions from observations and having written a great deal in regard to it, Mr. Espy took the bold resolution, though past middle age, to throw himself into a new career, laying aside all ordinary employments and devoting himself to the diffusion of the knowledge which he had collected and increased, by lecturing in the towns, villages and cities of the United States. This proved a successful undertaking and by its originality attracted more attention to his views than could have been obtained, probably, in any other way. He soon showed remarkable power in explaining his ideas.

His simplicity and clearness enabled his hearers to follow him without too great effort, and the earnestness

with which he spoke out his convictions carried them away in favor of his theory. The same power which enabled him to succeed in his lecturing career procured subsequently for Mr. Espy the support and encouragement of some of the leading men in Congress, and especially in the Senate, and also in the executive department, their attention was arrested by the originality of his views and his warmth in presenting them and he imparted so much of his conviction of their truth as to induce many of our statesmen and official persons to exert themselves to procure for him, under the patronage of the government, continued opportunities for study, research and the comparison of observations. To the consistent support of his scientific friends, and particularly of the Secretary of this Institution, Mr. Espy owed also much in obtaining the opportunities of keeping in a scientific career. His reports to the Surgeon General of the Army, to Congress, and to the Secretary of the Navy, are among his latest efforts in this direction.

The earnest and deep convictions of the truth of his theory in all its parts, and his glowing enthusiasm in regard to it, perhaps, also, the age which he had reached, prevented Mr. Espy from passing beyond a certain point in the development of his theory. The same constitution of mind rendered his inductions from observation often unsafe. His views were positive and his conclusions absolute, and so was the expression of them. He was not prone to examine and re-examine premises and conclusions, but considered what had once been passed upon by his judgment as finally settled. Hence his views did not make that impression upon cooler temperament, among men of science to which they were entitled—obtaining more credit among scholars and men of general reading in our country, than among scientific men and making but little progress abroad.

Feeling that his bodily vigor was failing and that his life must soon close, the Secretary of the Smithson-



ian Institution induced him to re-examine the various parts of his meteorological theories of storms, tornadoes and water spouts, and to insert in his last report, while it was going through the press, an account of his most mature views. I trust that the Secretary will in one of his reports, give us a thorough and critical examination of the works and services of this remarkable contributor to a branch of science, the knowledge of which the Smithsonian Institution has already done so much to advance and to diffuse. On motion of Prof. Bache, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Regents of the Smithsonian Institute have learned with deep regret the decease of James P. Espy, one of the most useful and zealous of the meteorologists co-operating with the Institution, and whose labors in both increase and diffusion of knowledge of meteorology have merited the highest honors at home and have added to the reputation of our country abroad.

RESOLVED, That the Regents offer to the relatives of Mr. Espy, their sincere condolence in the loss of which they have sustained.

On motion of Mr. Pearce, it was resolved that remarks of Prof. Bache be entered in the proceedings,

COPY OF THE WILL OF PROF. JAMES P. ESPY.

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 24, 1857.

In the beginning of this my last will and testament, I wish to express my most profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, and my unwavering belief that everything which I have experienced during my whole life, (as well the pains as the pleasures) has been so arranged by His infinite goodness and wisdom as to result in good to me; by educating me to a higher state of knowledge, and to a more intense love of goodness, and so to prepare me for an eternity of happiness after death.

If it is better for me to exist happy after death, I



shall so exist, as certain as there is a God, of infinite Goodness, Wisdom and Power; and if it is better for me to suffer some pain hereafter, for the sake of further improvement, I doubt not that an infinitely good and wise Father has arranged it that I shall suffer.

Heavenly Father, with unwaivering confidence in Thy love, I commit myself, and the whole human family, Thy children, to Thy holy keeping.

It is my last will, that at my death, my sister-in-law, Mary H. Espy of Harrisburg, shall have in her own right, the Four Thousand Dollars for which I now hold her bond and mortgage, and I therefore desire that this bond mortgage shall be cancelled at my death.

I wish that Prof. A. D. Bache of the Coast Survey, shall have my microscope; Prof. Joseph Henry of the Smithsonian Institute, my telescope; and the Hon. Chas. Brown of Philadelphia, my watch.

I leave to my sister-in-law, Maria M. Espy, of Columbus, Ohio, One Thousand Dollars; to her daughter Lavinia, One Thousand; to her daughter Isabella, One Thousand; and to her daughter Ellen, One Thousand.

I leave to Lavinia M. P. Williams, niece of my wife Margaret Espy, Two Thousand Dollars; to Eliza Powel, my niece, One Thousand Dollars; to my niece, Eunice Espy, daughter of my brother David Espy, Five Hundred.

I leave to Eliza E. Sergeant, daughter of Mary H. Espy aforesaid, One Thousand Dollars; to my sister-in-law, Priscilla Douglas, One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars; to my grand niece, Thirza L. Westcott, Two Thousand Dollars; to my grand niece, Minerva Westcott, Two Thousand Dollars; and to my grand niece, Phoebe Westcott, One Thousand Dollars.

If there is anything left over after these legacies are paid, I wish it to be equally divided between my two grand nieces, Thirza L. Westcott and Minerva Westcott aforesaid, as my residuary legatees; but if my

estate should not be sufficient to pay all these legacies in full, then I wish, after paying Mary H. Espy's legacy in full. that cancelling the bond and mortgage aforesaid, that the rest of the legatees be paid pro rata.

And I hereby constitute Mary H. Espy, and Thirza L. Westcott aforesaid, my Executrices to carry into execution this my last will and testament; in witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal, this 24th day of August, 1857.

[SEAL]

JAMES P. ESPY.

XVII. MARY ESPY, eldest child of Col. David Espy, and Jane Woods, his wife, was b. 1779; d. Nov. 28, 1815, at Bedford, Pa. She m. John Anderson, M. D. July 10, 1807. Dr. Anderson was b. May 1, 1770; d. March 1840. This family still own and occupy the old home of Col. Espy, in which he entertained General Washington at the time of the "Whiskey Insurrection." They had issue:

- i. *George Woods*, b. June 27, 1808; d. June 20, 1879; graduated from University of Pennsylvania; m. Caroline Mossell and had children: 1. *Perry Woods*, 2. *George M.*
- 50. ii. *Espy Lyon*, b. 1810; m. Louisa H. Watson.
- iii. *Ann Jane*, d. in infancy.
- iv. *Mary*, m. Frank Johnson and had children: 1. *Alex*, 2. *Ross*, 3. *Mary*, m. Prof. Sloane of Princeton College, and had children.
- v. *Elizabeth*, d. unmarried.

XVIII. WILLIAM ESPY, eldest son of Thomas and Anna Hamilton Espy was b. Jan. 21, 1769; m. Elizabeth Nisbet, who was b. April 27, 1780. They settled near New Castle, Pa. Their children were:

- i. — b. Jan. 1, 1797.
- ii. — b. Sept. 10, 1799.
- 51. iii. *Thomas*, b. Aug. 9, 1801.
- iv. — *Nisbet*, b. April 12, 1803, died young.
- 52. v. *Robert Hamilton*, b. March 8, 1805.

- vi. Rachel*, b. Feb. 25, 1807.
- vii. Betsey*, b. May 27, 1809.
- 53. *viii. John*, b. March 2, 1811.
- ix. Jean*, b. June 3, 1813.
- x. Marcy Thompson*, b. April 19, 1815.
- xi. Patty*, b. June 28, 1817.

XIX. ROBERT ESPY, son of Thomas and Anna Hamilton Espy, was born 1778, m. Elizabeth Carson, March 14, 1810; ceremony performed by Rev. Joshua Williams of Big Spring Church. This couple settled in Dauphin County, near Harrisburg, but later moved to Butler County, Pa. Their children were:

- i. Margaret Ann*, b. 1812; m. Mr. Medley of Ohio.
  - ii. Thomas*, b. 1814; d. aged 2 years.
  - iii. Samuel*, b. 1816; d. at Portersville, Pa. aged 60 years.
  - iv. Jane*, b. 1818; m. Mr. Oliver, still living in Portersville, Pa.
  - v. Rachel*, b. 1820; m. Mr. Templeton of Ohio.
  - vi. William*, b. 1822; m. Mary Sharp. Went to California in 1850.
  - vii. Elizabeth*, b. 1824; m. James Sharp.
  - 54. *viii. Robert Hamilton*, b. Feb. 10, 1826.
  - ix. Thomas*, b. 1828; m.; d. childless.
- Two others that died young.

XX. JAMES ESPY, eighth child of Thomas and Anna Hamilton Espy was b. in Cumberland County, Pa., Sept. 29, 1782; d. 1858 in Upper St. Clair Township, Allegheny County, Pa. He m. Jane Fife, Jan. 8, 1807; Their children were:

- 55. *i. Thomas*, b. Nov. 23, 1807; m. Elizabeth Hickman.
- ii. Margaret*, b. June 23, 1809; m. Thompson Fife. Had children: 1. *James*, d. in Civil War, 2. *William Fife*, 3. *Albert A.*

- iii. *William*, b. April 14, 1811; m.—. Had children: 1. *James*, b. March 13, 1837, living in Pittsburg, 2. *Alex*, b. May 13, 1839, living at Homestead, 3. *Margaret*, b. Dec. 29, 1841; m. Mr. Anderson, living at Carnegie, Pa., 4. *William*, b. Jan. 12, 1845, Beaver Falls, Pa., 5. *Mrs. Mary Walker*, (twin) b. Jan. 12, 1845, Library, Pa., 6. *Mrs. Jennie Higbee*, b. Oct. 9, 1847; m. Sept. 11, 1873. Residence; Grandview Ave., Pittsburg.
- iv. *Ann*, b. March 2, 1813; m. Thomas Morrow. Had children: 1. *Thomas Espy*, 2. *Eliza J.*, 3. *Mary A.*
- 56. v. *James*, b. July 23, 1815; m. Susan Sill.
- vi. *Elizabeth*, b. Aug. 7, 1817; m. James Wilson. Had children: 1. *Thomas*, 2. *James*, 3. *William*, entered Civil War and d. of camp fever.
- vii. *Mary*, b. Oct. 9, 1819; m. Dr. Joseph McCormick of Mt. Lebanon, Pa., where she d. in 1894. Children: 1. *James Espy*, 2. *John C.*, 3. *Joseph D.*, 4. *Thomas*, 5. *Jane*, 6. *Margaret*, 7. *William E.*, 8. *Mary Ida*, 9. *Martha E.*, eight of whom survive her.
- viii. *Jane*, b. April 11, 1823, died young.
- ix. *John*, b. March 3, 1826; m. Margaret Smith, a daughter of John Smith, a native of Scotland and had issue: 1. *Margaret*, m. J. J. Van Eiman, 2. *James*, m. Laura Wilson, 3. *John Smith*, m. Alice Wilson, 4. *Howard*, 5. *William Fife*, 6. *George M.*, b. Feb. 10, 1865; m. Feb. 22, 1888, Mary B. Morgan, daughter of John Morgan and Rebecca Hickman. John Espy d. Feb. 1904 in Pittsburg, Pa., where his widow still lives.

XXI. NANCY ESPY, eldest child of George and Polly Patterson Espy, was b. June 18, 1785; m. Oct. 29, 1805, Col. Anthony Bennett, who came from the Connecticut

settlements on the Susquehanna River, to Crawford County, Pa., in 1800. He was a highly respected man and Col. of a Regiment in the war of 1812. They had issue:

- i. *Espy*, b. 1806; m. Esther Logan and had issue: 1. *Nancy Espy*, second wife of Joseph Linn, b. Oct. 4, 1831; m. Sept. 1, 1859. Children: *Frank Espy*, b. 1860, *Charles Anthony*, b. 1862, *Dr. Sylvester M.*, *Ella B.* 2. *William*, 3. *John*, 4. *Mrs. Sarah Johnson*, 5. *George*.
- ii. *Anna*, m. Isaac Burwell of Crawford County, Pa. ch.—*Wm.*, *Marjory* and *Samuel*.
- iii. *Wm.* m. *Laura* — and had *Wm. R.* and *Sabrina*.
- iv. *Thomas Sterenson*, b. Sept. 15, 1812; m. Sarah Ann Rounds and had *Olive*, b. Oct. 10, 1842; m. N. M. Wright Feb. 4, 1863, a lawyer of Connersville, Ind., and has three children: 1. *Wm. Bennett*, b. Jan. 22, 1864; m. Katherine Rippetoe, Oct. 26, 1887, and had: *Charles Howard*, b. Nov. 26, 1894. 2. *Nathaniel Curwen*, b. Aug. 11, 1870; m. *Laura M. Beach*, April 25, 1893. 3. *Etha Anne*, b. March 6, 1874.
- v. *Mary*, m. Robert Logan and had: *Mary*, who m. H. D. Collins of Espyville Station.
- vi. *Nancy Jane*, m. Horace Rounds and had: *Margaret*, *Mrs. Hannah Mason* of Davenport, Iowa, *Mrs. Nancy Lamb*, Townville, Pa., and *William*, unmarried.
- vii. *Margaret*, m. De Loss Cole of Andover, O. ch.—*Frank* and *William*.
- viii. *Marjory*, m. Jacob Forner and had: *Mrs. Olive Loomis*, *Henry*, *Mary*, *Mrs. K. Harvey*, *Eveline*, who m. 1st. David Logan and had *Mary*, m. secondly, Samuel Hollister; d. at



Fairfield, Iowa. Children: *Benj.* m. Mercy Allen, 2. *Chloe*, m. Milton Skinner.

- ix. James Patterson*, b. 1827; m. Lucinda White and lives on a farm near Birmingham, Iowa. Children: *Fred, Elmer, Alta* and *Otto*, all of whom are married.

XXII. PATTERSON ESPY, eldest son of George and Polly Patterson Espy, was b. Dec. 12, 1786. He was educated for the Presbyterian ministry at Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, Pa., but afterwards studied law. He m. April 5, 1810, Mercy Freeman, a daughter of Alexander Freeman, who served in the militia of Essex County, N. J., during the Revolution, and Mrs. Phoebe (nee Clarkson) Wilson, his wife. Mercy Freeman was b. May 20, 1787 and d. Jan. 20, 1862. Their home was always the farm at Espyville and as business kept the father much at the county seat (Meadville) the care of their large family fell upon the brave and faithful mother whose children revere her memory. Patterson Espy d. July 18, 1859. They had issue:

57. *i. Phoebe*, b. Jan. 13, 1811; m. Joseph Free Patton.
58. *ii. Maria*, b. Feb. 12, 1812; m. John Dickey.
59. *iii. Thomas Stevenson*, b. March 26, 1814; m. Mary A. McBride.
- iv. Eliza Ann*, b. Jan. 20, 1816; m. Robert Free; d. April 9, 1843.
- v. Rebecca Jane*, b. March 19, 1818; d. Feb. 20, 1820.
60. *vi. Pamela*, b. July 3, 1820; m. three times.
- vii. Rosinia M.*, b. May 25, 1822; d. Aug. 13, 1843.
61. *ciii. Alexander Clarkson*, b. Nov. 27, 1824; m. Sarah Espy.
62. *ix. Stephen Barlow*, b. June 8, 1827; m. Rebecca Cutler.
- x. George Washington*, b. Feb. 17, 1829; m.



Sarah Garrison and d. July 29, 1854, left no children.

XXIII. JOSIAH ESPY, son of George and Polly Patterson Espy, was b. Dec. 29, 1788. He m. Susan Denny Sept. 20, 1810. She was b. March 29, 1790. He was always a farmer of Venango County, Pa. During the great "Oil Craze" in 1860, he started many wells which are still flowing. He d. in 1863. He had issue:

- i. *William Denny*, b. March 15, 1812; m. Mrs. Aurelia McDowell in 1864 and d. 1879 childless.
- ii. *Mary*, b. March 24, 1814; m. A. J. McClintock and d. 1855 without issue.
- iii. *George Patterson*, b. Dec. 9, 1817; m. Mary Jewell, April 15, 1853 and d. May 30, 1894, having children: 1. *Jessie*, b. 1854; d. 1859. 2. *Kate D.*, b. July 11, 1859; m. W. Preston McCray, March 20, 1879. 3. *George Richard*, b. Feb. 1, 1870. Residence, Petroleum Center, Pa.
- iv. *Cassandra*, b. Feb. 6, 1820; d. March 10, 1872.
- v. *John Free*, b. March 3, 1822; m. Sarah Davidson. Had issue: *Walter, James, William W., John, Susan, Rebecca, Helen*.
- vi. *Angelina*, b. 1824; m. George W. McClintock who d. 1865, and left one son, *Espy*; m. Florence, daughter of Judge Davis of Meadville, Pa., and had *Marion* and *Josephine*. After Espy McClintock d. in 1880, his widow became Mrs. May of Atlanta, Ga.

XXIV. ANNA ESPY, daughter of George and Polly Patterson Espy was b. in 1790 and d. July 16, 1864, at the home of her daughter in Michigan. She m. her cousin Dr. Josiah Espy Stevenson of Kittanning, Pa., in 1815. She was an educated and earnest woman and gave public lectures on the subject of temperance and

woman's wrongs, all her early married life. She also wrote for the papers. She was a devout member of the Methodist church after her conversion in 1844. Dr. Stevenson, son of Joseph and Mary Espy Stevenson, was b. at Strawsburg, Va., March 10, 1790. He studied medicine at the Philadelphia College, and was a surgeon at Fort Erie during the war of 1812, after which time he settled in Kittanning and had a large practice. Had issue:

63. *i. Narcissa Young*, b. 1819; m. Rev. E. B. Griffin.
- ii. Mary*, b. 1826; m. 1852, Rev. McCarty; d. 1883.
- iii. Josiah*, b. 1823; d. unmarried.
- iv. Leonora*, b. 1827; m. Adrian Blanchard.

XXV. JAMES ESPY, son of George and Polly Patterson Espy, was b. Feb. 19, 1798, and m. his cousin Nancy, (b. in Union Co. Pa., Sept. 1, 1800; daughter of John and Mary Ann Allen Espy) April 27, 1820. They always lived at Espyville, where in his youth, James was a shoe-maker and also carried on a farm. In his later years he was Post Master. Nancy Espy d. Nov. 8, 1868. James Espy marched with his father's company to Fort Erie during the war of 1812 and d. Jan. 7, 1872. Had issue:

- i. Amanda Ann*, b. May 9, 1821; m. James Allen and d. May 30, 1848. Children: *Mrs. Rosinia Andrews* and *James*; m. Sarah Waring and have no children.
- ii. Polly Ellen*, b. March 13, 1823; m. James Boyd and d. Aug. 23, 1843. Had no children.
- iii. Ruth Elizabeth*, b. Dec. 4, 1824; m. William Gee, d. in 1852 and left a son, *James Boyd Gee*.
- iv. Cynthia Jane*, b. April 20, 1827; d. Feb. 16, 1847.
64. *v. Nancy Rebecca*, b. March 17, 1829; m. Ezekiel Sankey.

- vi. *George Stevenson*, b. Jan. 9, 1831; d. April 5, 1839.
- 61. vii. *Sarah Matilda*, b. May 20, 1836; m. Alexander Espy.
- 65. viii. *John Boyd*, b. July 13, 1838; m. Esther Ann Collins.
- ix. *James Harrison*, b. Oct. 30, 1840; d. prisoner of war at Andersonville, Ga., July, 8, 1864; unmarried. He was Orderly Serg't. Co., H., 145 Pa., Vol. Inf.
- xi. *Mary Ellen*, b. April 4, 1845; m. Charles Miller; lived and died at Meadville, Pa., leaving two daughters, 1. *Agnes*, married Lieutenant Kleft of the Artillery, U. S. A., 2. *Annette*.

XXVI. JOHN ESPY, son of George and Polly Patterson Espy, was b. in 1800; d. June 1, 1872. He m. Margaret Free in 1827; was a farmer at Espyville. His wife d. in 1890. Their children were:

- i. *Rebecca*, b. 1828, m. Thos. Russell, removed to Kansas; had children:
- ii. *Wm. Free*, b. Jan. 3, 1835; m. Helen Waring, June 20, 1861. Wm. Espy lives on a farm at Espyville, is prosperous and highly respected and is a member of the Methodist church. His children are: 1. *Harley J.*, 2. *Mrs. Olive Ewing*, 3. *George S.*, 4. *Frank*, 5. *Nora E.*, 6. *Anna R.*, 7. *Minnie*.
- iii. *James*, b. 1837; m. Miss Collins, has children and lives at Ashtabula, O.

XXVII. CYNTHIA ESPY, eldest daughter of John and Mary Ann Allen Espy was b. in 1799; m. John Sankey of New Castle, Pa., May 21, 1821. They had issue:

- i. *Mary Ann*, b. July 7, 1822; m. Mr. King and had one child, *Mrs. E. M. Fruit* of Mercer,

- Pa., who was burned to death Aug. 27, 1889.
64. ii. *Ezekiel Harrison*, b. Oct. 15, 1823; m. Nancy R. Espy.
- iii. *John Espy*, b. June 11, 1827; m. —; has issue: 1. *William W.*, 2. *Cynthia A.*, 3. *Ezekiel H.*, 4. *Edward*, 5. *King*.
- iv. *Nancy Jane*, b. May 19, 1835; m. Mr. Young and lives at St. Charles, Madison County, Iowa. Children: 1. *Cynthia*, 2. *Frank*, 3. *King*, 4. *Bettie*, 5. *Mattie*, 6. *Blanche*.
- v. *Ruth Allen*, b. June 6, 1838; m. Mr. Coulter. Children: 1. *Cynthia*, 2. *Emma L.*, 3. *Mattie*, 4. *Joseph*, 5. *Boyd*, 6. *Thomas*. Reside at Wilmington, Pa.
- vi. *Emma R.*, b. June 6, 1844; m. Mr. McMillen: is now a widow, living at North Warren, Pa. Children: 1. *Mrs. Mary Ridder*, has *Blanche* and *Fred*, 2. *Mrs. Jennie M. Boughton*, has 1. *Ethel*, 2. *Katheryn*. 3. *Blanche*, a trained nurse at Trenton, N. J.

XXVIII. SAMUEL ALLEN ESPY, son of John and Mary Ann Allen Espy, was b. Nov. 12, 1803; m. Sarah McDonald, in 1830; d. in 1837. Their children were:

- i. *John*, b. 1831; moved west, entered the army in Co. D., 104 Ill. Vol. Inf. and d. in Tennessee in 1863; unmarried.
- ii. *Mary Isabella*, b. Jan. 25, 1833; m. Frank Reno, July 6, 1858 and have one living child, *John Francis*, b. 1875, who is in business with his father at Erie, Pa.
- iii. *Evelina*, b. Oct. 29, 1834; m. David Thompson.
- iv. *Joseph Allen*, b. July 9, 1836; m. Eugenia Reeves, June 17, 1866; served three years in the 61st. Regt. Pa. Vols., during the Civil War. Has a drug store and is P. M., at

Fairport, O. Has issue: 1. *Guila*, b. 1867, 2. *Frank Reno*, b. 1868, 3. *Charles A.* b. 1871, 4. *Eugenia*, b. 1880.

XXIX. JOSEPH PATTERSON STEVENSON, son of Joseph and Mary Espy Stevenson, was b. May 19, 1792. He studied medicine and while he practiced his profession he also lived on a farm. He m. first, Rebecca Patterson, his cousin, Dec. 21. 1813. Her son, *John Patterson*, was b. Sept. 10, 1815, and she d. next day. He m. second, Eliza Thom, in Meigs County, Ohio, June 15, 1820. They removed to Denmark, Lee County, Iowa, in 1838, where he d. May 21, 1858. Late in life he m. Miss Elizabeth Walker of Fort Madison, Iowa, who survived him. His children by Eliza Thom were:

- i. *Samuel Thom*, b. Oct. 11, 1820; m. Theresa Guthrie, (who was b. Dec. 14, 1822), April 26, 1842. He was a wealthy and prominent farmer of Lee County, Iowa. Removed to Oneida, Kansas, where he died. His children are: 1. *Charles G.*, 2. *Eliza Thom*; m. N. M. Fox, 3. *Samuel E. M.*, 4. *Nannie Espy*, 5. *Seldon*, d. an infant.
- ii. *George Espy*, b. Dec. 8, 1822; d. Nov. 10, 1902, at Sebatha, Kans. He m. Julia A. Rice, March 20, 1844; was a highly respected farmer of Lee County, Iowa. Had issue: 1. *Joseph Patterson*. 2. *George William*.
- iii. *John Dinsmore*, b. July 11, 1825; m. Celia A. Rice, Sept. 24, 1846. Died in Alma, Neb. Had issue: 1. *Amanda Ellen*, 2. *Prof. Jonas Rice*, Superintendent of Quincy, Ill., High School, 3. *Eliza J.*, 4. *Julia A.*, 5. *Clara D.*, 6. *Lewis E.*, 7. *John Dinsmore*, 8. *Sherman Ellsworth*, 9. *Clara Ella*, 10. *Nellie I.*, 11. *Sumner*.
- iv. *Joseph Espy*, b. Feb. 11, 1828; m. Emma C. Baum, May 5, 1849. He d. Jan. 3, 1901, at

Fort Madison, Iowa, where the family still live. Had issue: 1. *George Espy*, b. 1851; d. 1860, 2. *John Valliant*, b. 1852; m. Laura Bush, Oct. 15, 1878 and had one child, *Orrville Bush*, b. April 7, 1880, 3. *Era W.*, b. 1854; m. W. S. Bruen in 1874 and had: 1. *John Espy*, b. 1877, 2. *Mabel Ida*, 3. *Glenn N.*

XXX. JOSIAH ESPY, eldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. 1790; d. Sept. 22, 1843; m. his cousin, Margaret Mitchell, Oct. 29, 1814. This couple lived and died in Ohio and clung to "the faith of their fathers." Had issue:

- i. *Thomas*, b. Aug. 19, 1815; m. first Miss Pinkerton and had: 1. *Bruce*, who served during the Civil War in Co. F. 11th. Iowa Vol. Inft.; d. three years after the war from effects of wounds; went with Sherman to the sea. Was a very fine young man; d. unmarried. 2. *Martha A.*, m. John P. McChesney, Nov. 17, 1867; has a family and lives at Middletown, Iowa. 3. *Mrs. Margaret Allen*, Middletown, Iowa.

Thomas Espy by second wife, Sarah Knox, had issue: 4. *John*, m. June, 1898, Iva Chamberlain; residence, Winfield, Iowa. 5. *Mrs. Sarah Godfrey*, 6. *Mary Adaline*.

- ii. *James*, b. March 9, 1817; m. Magdalene Brown, Feb. 15, 1842; d. Jan. 24, 1879. Had issue: 1. *James Brown*, b. March 20, 1846; m. Lida D. Cisco, March 3, 1875. Merchant of Springfield, Ohio. Has no children. 2. *David*, b. June 16, 1848; d. unmarried. 3. *James Walter*, b. Oct. 12, 1859; m. Laura Green, May 19, 1881. Children: 1. *Vera*, 2. *Reimer*, 3. *Lila*. Is a coal merchant at Denver, Colo.



- iii. *David*, b. Feb. 15, 1819; d. Aug. 11, 1819.
- iv. *Josiah*, b. July 1, 1820; d. 1864, unmarried.
- v. *William*, b. June 14, 1822; d. Aug. 3, 1822.
- 66. vi. *Harvey A.*, b. Oct. 9, 1823; m. Mary Ann Winter.
- vii. *John Young*, b. Dec. 26, 1825; m. Oct. 1, 1861, Mary Sheller (b. March 5, 1835.) He d. at Rialto, Cal., Aug. 11, 1896. Had: 1. *Jennie Ethel*, b. March 19, 1863; m. Silvio Antonio James Ronzone, May 22, 1883 and had children: *Silvio Espy*, b. 1884, *Benjamin Francis*, b. 1886, *Ethel*, b. 1889, *Ronald Antonio*, b. 1891, *Philip Espy*, b. 1896, *Margaret Theresa*, b. Jan. 13, 1900. 2. *Jessie Young*, b. June 17, 1865; d. Aug. 12, 1866, 3. *Mary Edna*, b. Nov. 6, 1868; now teaching in Pasadena, Cal., 4. *Cora Blanche*, b. Aug. 18, 1871; d. June 17, 1897, 5. *Frances Anna*, b. Jan. 11, 1874.
- viii. *William*, b. Feb. 1828; d. Oct. 28, 1867.
- ix. *Mathew H.*, b. July 9, 1830; d. May 9, 1831.
- x. *Elizabeth Martha*, b. Aug. 22, 1832; m. James R. Reed, Aug. 31, 1853; lives at Pana, Ill.
- xi. *George A.*, b. Oct. 1834; d. Aug. 1835.
- xii. *Calvin*, b. Nov. 9, 1836; m. Jennie Mitchell, at Piqua, O., May 25, 1858 and had children: 1. *Rev. Herbert P.*, United Presbyterian Church, of Redlands, Cal. 2. *Luella T.*, 3. *Andrew Josiah*; m. Julia Davis. Address, Tarkio, Mo.
- xiii. *Isaac Newton*, b. June 16, 1839; d. April 13, 1862, in the Civil War; unmarried.

XXXI. WILLIAM PATTERSON ESPY, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. Nov., 1792; d. Sept. 17, 1869. He was m. April 2, 1818, to Elizabeth Johnson, who was born May 30, 1798; d. July 2, 1855. They

lived and died at Piqua, Ohio, and were members of the U. P. church. Had issue:

- i. Lucy Ann*, b. June 13, 1819; d. March, 1829.
- ii. Martha L.*, b. Dec. 4, 1820; d. Feb. 16, 1842; m. Charles Hawkins and had a daughter, now *Mrs. Alf. Winder*, N. Y. City.
- iii. George J.*, b. July 24, 1824; m. —; has daughter at Wyandotte, Kansas. Is still living (1905).
- iv. Elizabeth*, b. April 20, 1827; m. Mr. Crocker.
- v. Thomas*, b. April 5, 1830; d. Feb. 2, 1884; unmarried.
67. *vi. Wm. Patterson*, b. Aug. 15, 1833; m. Mary Zeech.
- vii. John Jacobs*, b. Sept. 16, 1835; pensioner of Civil War. Residence, Rochester, O.
- viii. Josiah Mitchell*, (twin) b. Sept. 16, 1835; enlisted in 124th. Ind. Vol. Inft. Was a prisoner at Andersonville some months, and finally, on his way home, was drowned on board the "Sultana." Has a son E. E. Espy at Celina, Ohio.
- ix. Sarah Steel*, b. May 27, 1838; m. first, Dr. L. C. Finley; second, Wm. P. Lough. Has three children; residence, Richmond, Ind.
- x. Matilda*, b. Sept. 27, 1840; d. Oct. 9, 1854.

XXXII. NANCY ESPY, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. in Warren County, O., Nov. 25, 1798; m. John Morrow, son of Governor Jeremiah Morrow, March 24, 1822. Quoting from her obituary notice: "She was a woman gifted by nature with a good physical constitution, clear intellect, and sound judgment, and was a woman of more than usual force of character." She was a member of the Associate Reform Church and d. near the place of her birth, Jan. 5, 1881. John Morrow d. Nov. 26, 1887, aged 87 years. Their children were:



FLORENCE MERCY ESPY







JOSIAH MORROW



- i. *Paulina*, b. July 6, 1823; m. James Morton, Jan. 8, 1844; d. Jan. 26, 1845. No children.
- ii. *David McDill*, b. Oct. 29, 1825; m. Elizabeth B. Mitchell. Died March 2, 1875. Had *Florence* and *Middie*, both of whom d. unmarried. Was a teacher and civil engineer; first superintendent of Eaton, O., Union School; civil engineer in construction of R. R., from Richmond, Ind., to Hamilton, O., and after its completion, for many years was superintendent of the road; residence at Eaton, O.; d. at Madison, Wis.; buried at Eaton.
- iii. *Elizabeth*, b. Dec. 18, 1827; living at Xenia, Ohio.
- iv. *Jeremiah G.*, b. Feb., 1830; m. Sarah E. Patterson, (who d. May 24, 1905) July 27, 1859; d. of consumption, Oct. 1, 1871. He was a teacher, civil engineer and a soldier in the Civil war. Had children: 1. *Mrs. Wm. G. Patterson*, 2. *Anna B.*, 3. *Mrs. Joseph Patterson*, 4. *Janette*, 5. *John*. Residence, Xenia, Ohio.
- v. *Mary*, b. Sept. 16, 1832; m. Samuel S. Linn, Aug. 8, 1858; d. March, 1862; left daughter, now *Mrs. Willard G. Tidd* of Kansas.
- vi. *William F.*, b. March, 1835; d. Dec. 9, 1881; m. Kate Rhine, May 17, 1860. Had issue: 1. *Dr. M. M.* of Springfield, O., 2. *Marco*, 3. *Pearl*, 4. *Emma*, 5. *Mary*.
- vii. *Thomas Espy*, (twin) b. March 1835; farmer, lives in Oklahoma.
- viii. *Josiah*, b. Aug. 26, 1838; unmarried. Residence at Lebanon, O. Graduated at Miami University, 1859; taught in High School Dept., Hamilton, Ohio, public schools; was the last law student in the office of Thomas

Corwin; studied law at the University of Michigan; was admitted to the bar in 1865; was for a short time engaged in editorial work; was County School Examiner for eleven years; and has served on the Board of Supervisors of Elections; has delivered many educational and literary lectures; author of the "Centennial Historical Sketch of Warren County," 1876; "History of Warren County," 1882; "Memoir of Durbin Ward," 1888; "Life of Thomas Corwin," 1896; "Centennial Sketch of Lebanon, 1903, etc.

- i.r.* *George Espy*, b. Oct. 19, 1840; m. Sarah M. Gifford, April 11, 1867. Received an Academical education; member of Co. C, 2nd. O. Vol. Inft., wounded at Perryville, Ky.; Division P. M. in the army; graduated in Law Dept. University of Michigan; associate editor *Western Rural*, at Detroit and Chicago; editor of *Western Farmer*, Madison, Wis.; Prof. of practical agriculture at Ames, Iowa, 1876, and had the same chair in Illinois State University from 1877 to 1894; President of Oklahoma A. and M. College from 1895 till his death in 1903; had visited Europe twice; was well known as a Farmers' Institute lecturer and agricultural writer and a high authority on farm animals. Had issue: 1. *Minnie*, 2. *Clarence*, a soldier in the Spanish-American War from Oklahoma, 3. *George J.*, 4. *Grace E.*, Residence, Paxton, Ill.

XXXIII. THOMAS ESPY, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. 1802; d. 1874. He was a pioneer farmer of Champaign County, Ohio; was a ruling elder in the Associate Reformed Church. He m. first, Susan Morton and their children were:

- i. *Mary Jane*; unmarried. Residence, Rosewood, O.
  - ii. *Thos. Chalmers*; d. at Pana, Ill., unmarried.
- Thomas Espy m. secondly, Mrs. Chas. Hart, Sept 2, 1836. They had issue:
- iii. *David Henry*, b. July 13, 1837; m. Rebecca Kesensger; was a member of Co. G. 66th. O. Vol. Inf.; wounded at Cedar Mountain; d. at Alexandria, Sept. 9, 1862. Left a son, *Charles H.* b. March 1861; m. Mary Wilson, Dec. 30, 1883, and has a family residing in Rosewood, O.

XXXIV. JAMES ESPY, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. 1803; m. Eliza Sifes in 1827; d. in 1855 while on the way to Decorah, Iowa.

Had issue:

- i. *Thomas M.*, b. 1828; m. Adah — and d. at St. Joseph, Mo., 1863. Left daughters: *Kate*, a concert singer of note, is m. and lives in New York City, but has no children. *Emma*, m. Mason Gregg, grain merchant, Kansas City, Mo.; has one child, *Adah*.
- ii. *Mrs. S. A. Gates*, b. 1829.
- iii. *Robert*, b. 1831; residence, Riley, Oklahoma; unmarried.
- iv. *Henry*, b. 1834; residence, Riley, Oklahoma; m. Has sons, *Earnest* and *Walter*.
- v. *Adeline*, b. 1836.
- vi. *Millie*, b. 1840.
- vii. *William*, b. 1850; m. —; has spent all his life on the extreme frontier and is now keeping a general store and post-office at Riley, Okla. Had issue: 1. *Robert*, b. 1885; a remarkably bright, healthy and handsome boy d. aged 13 years, 2. *William*, b. 1887, 3. *Dennis F.*

XXXV. GEORGE M. ESPY, youngest child of Thomas

and Elizabeth Patterson Espy, was b. July 12, 1812; m. and was left a widower with one daughter; m. second, Mrs. Lucinda N. Parvin, a cousin once removed, March 5, 1860; d. Nov. 3, 1883, leaving a widow, residence, Delphos, Ohio, and three children:

- i. *Minnie*, m.
- ii. *Frank*.
- iii. *Bert*.

XXXVI. MARTHA MITCHELL SIMPSON, daughter of Joseph and Ann Espy Simpson, was b. 1803; m. J. A. Burr Caldwell, Jan. 22, 1822. Had issue: six children d. in infancy and youth, and:

- i. *Henry L.*, was member Co. E, 154th. Tenn. Vols. C. S. A.; d. unmarried.
- ii. *James Robert*, is a widower, Brownwood, Brown Co., Tex.; has three sons.
- iii. *George Espy*, m. Josephine Love, Nov. 12, 1873; was member of Co. D, 154th. Tenn. Vols. C. S. A.; was wounded at Peach Tree Creek, Ga. Had children: 1. *W. Burr*, b. Aug. 23, 1874; d. 1880; 2. *Robert Love*, b. June 2, 1877; is a druggist at Morganfield, Kentucky.

XXXVII. JAMES WILKINSON SIMPSON, son of Joseph and Ann Espy Simpson, was b. Dec. 20, 1804; educated at Transylvania University; studied medicine; had in youth the companionship of his uncle, Prof. Espy, who lived at the home of Mrs. Simpson during his college days. James W. Simpson m. in Montgomery Co., Ky., Emma Hathaway and settled in Menard Co., Ill., as a pioneer; d. in 1862. Had issue:

- i. *Jonathan Hathaway*, who enlisted in the Mexican war, but d. while crossing the Gulf; unmarried.
- ii. *Joseph Espy*; m. Helen Williams and lives at Ottawa, Kans. Have children.

- iii. *Catherine Ann*; m. James W. Judy who was a Col. of Ill. Regt. in the Civil war. Had: 1. *W. Scott*; d. aged 40, unmarried; 2. *Chas. C.*; m. Miss Jessie Skyles.
- iv. *Julia Elizabeth*; m. John T. Bush and had: 1. *Dr. Frank T. Bush*, Quincy, Ill., 2. *Gertrude Bush*.
- v. *Mary C.*; m., has children in Tallula, Ill.
- vi. *James* }
- vii. *Philip* } Both d. in Civil war; unmarried.

Dr. Simpson m. second wife and had two sons.

XXXVIII. CAROLINE SIMPSON, daughter of Joseph and Ann Espy Simpson, was b. Oct. 1, 1806; m. Wm. McGowan in Mt. Sterling, Ky. Had issue:

- i. *Joseph Wm.*; m.; d. Nov. 1896; left no children.
- ii. *James Espy*, m.; d.; left four children.
- iii. *John*; m. Lucy McCarroll; d. at Louisville, Ky., in 1881. Their children were: 1. *Graeme*, 2. *Lucy*, 3. *Jessie*, 4. *Anne*, 5. *Carrie*, 6. *Mary*, 7. *John*, Denver, Colo.; 8. *Eliza*, 9. *Wm.* Residence, Crescent Hill and Louisville, Ky.
- iv. *Anne Mary*, b. March 21, 1838; m. April 19, 1853, A. C. Mayes, a merchant of Princeton, Ky., where they still live. Had: *Hugh*, b. 1864; m. Ella Allen, (daughter of Capt. Allen, Mexico, Mo.) in 1889.

XXXIX. HENRY PATRICK ESPY, son of Josiah and Maria Murdock Espy, was b. in 1814; m. in 1854 at Urbana, O., Lucinda Crain. He has been a banker in Urbana for many years. Had children:

- i. *Clara Louise*, b. 1855; m. E. P. Thayer; has children. Residence, Urbana, O.
- ii. *Josiah Henry*, b. 1857; d. 1880; unmarried.
- iii. *Florence Maria*, b. 1859; m. Henry T. Stan-

ton. Have children: 1. *Espy*, 2. *Philip T.*, 3. *Marjorie*. Live at Grand Rapids, Mich.

XL. LOUVINIA ESPY, daughter of Josiah and Maria Murdock Espy, was b. 1818; m. in 1839, James T. Morehead, afterwards Governor of Kentucky and U. S. Senator from that state. He d. at his home in Covington in 1855, leaving four young sons. Mrs. Morehead was a woman of rare intelligence and great literary ability. She d. July 15, 1900, at her home in Washington, D. C. She had two children d. in infancy and

- i. *Josiah Espy*, b. 1840; d. unmarried 1880; was for many years cashier of the Ohio Valley National Bank of Cincinnati, Ohio.
- ii. *Frank*, b. 1846.
- iii. *Harry B.*, b. April 9, 1847; m. Feb. 10, 1876, Margaret C. Montfort, daughter of Rev. Joseph Montfort; had no children.  
Mr. Morehead was a prominent business man of Cincinnati, Ohio, where he d. March 26, 1899.
- iv. *Albert*, b. 1848.

XLI. ELLEN GRAHAM ESPY, daughter of Josiah and Maria Murdock Espy, was b. in 1829; m. first, James C. McCoy, who was chief-of-staff to General Sherman, and served from Paducah in 1861, till the close of the Civil War, and did not miss an engagement; d. May 30, 1875, in New York Harbor, while returning from service in Florida. Had issue:

- i. *Mary Jane*, m. D. Pratt Wright and has *Eleanor Espy*, b. 1886.
- ii. *Frank C.*, m. and has: 1. *Harriet*, 2. *James*, 3. *Morrison*.
- iii. *Robert W.*, m. Charlotte Wise and has: *Martha*.
- iv. *James Espy*, m. daughter of General John Gibbon, and was First Lieut. on his staff.



They are both dead and left: 1. *Frances*, M., 2. *John Gibbon*.

r. *Abram*, single. Residence, 1030 17th. St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

Mrs. McCoy m. secondly, Judge Bartley.

XLII. ELIZA ESPY, daughter of Hugh and Sarah Bartholomew Espy, was b. Feb. 11, 1817; m. James Norris, Dec. 1, 1839; had one son.

i. *James Newton*, who served through the Civil War; m. and had children.

She m. secondly, Merritt Scott Alloway, Nov. 15, 1849; a very successful farmer of Shelby County, Kentucky, who d. April 14, 1894. They had:

ii. *Ellen*, m. Hall Ash, Long Run, Kentucky, and has five children.

XLIII. GEORGE NEWPORT ESPY, son of Hugh and Sarah Bartholomew Espy, was b. Nov. 10, 1819; m. Hannah Smith. Had issue:

i. *William Hugh*, b. May 7, 1842.

ii. *Sarah Eunice*, b. Oct. 29, 1844; m. William C. Wilkinson, Chester, Ill., in 1865; had: 1. *Edgar*, 2. *Everetta*, 3. *Mettie Eunice*, 3. *Ida M.*, 4. *Stella Espy*, d. unmarried, 5. *Blanche*.

iii. *John M.*, b. Feb. 12, 1847. Living at Hamilton, Ill.; unmarried.

George N. Espy m. second wife and removed to Hancock County, Ill., where he conducted a general store and post-office at Espyville, 10 miles east of Keokuk, Iowa. Since his death, Jan. 3, 1864, the post-office has been discontinued. Had issue:

iv. *George*, b. May 7, 1854; m.; residence, Louisville, Ky.

v. *Mrs. Emily A. Warrell*, b. Feb. 19, 1856.

vi. *Mrs. Ella Warrell*, b. Dec. 18, 1858.

vii. *Eliza*, b. Sept. 23, 1860.

viii. *William*, b. Nov. 10, 1863. Louisville, Ky.

XLIV. DAVID EMANUEL ESPY, son of Hugh and Sarah Bartholomew Espy, was b. Feb. 18, 1824; m. Mary Shields, Nov. 23, 1848. Only two of his large family are living:

- i. *Mrs. Emily J. Melton*, {
- ii. *Mrs. Oletha Grace*, { Metropolis, Ill.

XLV. SARAH JANE ESPY, daughter of Hugh and Sarah Bartholomew Espy, was b. Sept. 9, 1826; m. Curtis McClintock, Dec. 21, 1848. Have four daughters and one son, living at Jeffersonville, Ind.

XLVII. FRANCIS R. MITCHELL, son of James and Martha Espy Mitchell, was b. May 27, 1818; m. Louise Wright in 1840, who died at the birth of a daughter.

- i. *Louise*, now Mrs. Glass, Broken Bow, Neb.

Francis R. Mitchell married secondly, Miss Seaman and had:

- ii. *Mrs. Shephard*.

Francis R. Mitchell was a doctor and he and his second wife died of yellow fever in New Orleans in 1855.

XLVIII. SAMUEL KYLE MITCHELL, youngest child of James and Martha Espy Mitchell, was b. Jan. 20, 1822; m. Elizabeth — Nov. 29, 1842; was a lumber dealer of Cedarville, O. He d. Feb., 1904. Had issue:

- i. *James Josiah*, b. Jan. 11, 1844; m. in 1874; and has one son.
- ii. *Anna*, b. Sept. 21, 1845; m. Rev. W. H. French, a U. P. minister, April 15, 1870. They have a daughter b. 1876. Residence, California.
- iii. *Wm. M.*, b. Oct. 27, 1850; m. Ella Shamron, Jan. 17, 1881. Has four daughters and one son, Cedarville, Ohio.

XLIX. MARY KEENE ESPY, eldest child of David and Dorcas Keene Espy, m. John Westcott of Elizabethtown, N. J. He was a shoe dealer of Cincinnati, O.

They had five children die in infancy and,

- i. *Marcus Aurelius*, who m. *Pauline*, daughter of Dr. B. F. Seabury, Charleston, Mass. Had children: 1. *Mary Pauline*; m. John Belling, of Charleston, S. C., who had *Mary P.*, *Roberta A.*, *John R.* and *James Espy*, all of Marlin, Texas.
2. *Walter S.*, Brownwood, Texas, 3. *Marcus A.*, Houston, Texas, 4. *Minnie Espy*.
- ii. *Minerva Eliza*, m. Robert F. Alexander and lives in San Antonio, Texas.
- iii. *John H.*, m. Mary Edgar; both died; have two grand-children, *Fannie Espy Wortham* and *Rodney K. Wortham*, living at Galveston, Texas.
- iv. *Thirza Lavinia*, El Paso, Texas; unmarried.

L. ESPY LYON ANDERSON, second son of Dr. John Anderson and Mary Espy, was b. March 28, 1810; d. May 12, 1866. He m. Feb. 26, 1835, Louisa H. Watson, who was b. May 18, 1817; d. Oct. 3, 1884. They had issue:

- i. *John*, b. Aug. 2, 1837. Residence, Bedford, Pa.
- ii. *Maj. William Watson*, b. July 29, 1839; d. Jan. 17, 1856.
- iii. *James Ross*, b. Sept. 14, 1841; d. Jan. 19, 1873.
- iv. *George Espy*, b. Oct. 30, 1843; d. April 30, 1885. He m. Rebecca Johnson, June 3, 1869 and had children: 1. *Mary Espy*, 2. *Espy Lyon*, 3. *Thomas Johnson*, 4. *Louise*.
- v. *Mary Espy*, b. July 17, 1846; d. Feb. 29, 1890; m. M. E. Middleton and had children: 1. *Lillian*, 2. *Edwin*.
- vi. *Eliza Watson*, b. 1848; m. Irwin Beatty.
- vii. *Louise Harrison*, b. June 24, 1850; m. W. O. Hickock.
- viii. *Edward Harrison*, b. April 15, 1855; d. Feb. 1883.

LI. THOMAS ESPY, son of William and Elizabeth Nisbet Espy, b. Aug. 9, 1801; was a Presbyterian minister; went to North Carolina where he m. Harriet Newell and had a daughter:

- i. *Harriet Newell*; m. Gov. Zebulon B. Vance of North Carolina and d. at Raleigh, in 1878, aged 46 years. Had issue: 1. *David*, m. He and his wife are both dead but left two daughters: *Espy* and *Ruth*. 2. *Charles*, of Washington, D. C. 3. *Thomas*, of Olympia, Washington, he was the first Governor of that State. 4. *Lieut. Zebulon B.*, U. S. A.

Rev. Thomas Espy d. in Sailsbury, N. C.

LII. ROBERT HAMILTON ESPY, son of William and Elizabeth Nisbet Espy, was b. March 8, 1805; m. Mary Ann Bell, who was b. May 8, 1808. He removed to Jones County, Iowa, as a pioneer and d. there Dec. 29, 1875. Had issue:

- i. *William Nisbet*, b. Feb. 24, 1827; m. and has: 1. *Mrs. Frank Scott*, Charleroi, Pa., 2. *Frank*, 3. *Robert*, West Middlesex, Pa.
- ii. *Elizabeth J.*, b. May 15, 1829; m. Mr. Sanford.
- iii. *Mary L.*, b. Feb. 15, 1833; m. Mr. Stutevant; d. 1890, at Scotch Grove, Iowa. Left children.
- iv. *Henrietta*, b. April 20, 1838; m. Mr. Sutherland.
- v. *James Stevenson*, b. June 30, 1840; m. June 30, 1865, Elizabeth Smith and had: 1. *Norman Ross*, b. Feb. 14, 1867, 2. *Robert H.*, b. Sept. 7, 1869; m. Anna M. Fallstrom, May 3, 1892; has a son, Robert, 3. *Sybil*; m. William Nelson, March 10, 1897, 4. *Anna Laura*; m. March 10, 1897, Joseph M. Eby.
- vi. *Martha*, (twin) b. June 30, 1840; d. 1843.
- vii. *Caroline*, b. Sept. 30, 1842; m. Mr. Sutherland.
- viii. *Robert J.*, b. Oct. 21, 1844; was in Co. D., 9th., Regt. Iowa, Vol. Inft. in the Civil

War; m. Mary Carey and has one child, *Blanche*, wife of David A. Chenoweth, Indianapolis, Ind.

- ix. *Amanda*, b. Oct. 20, 1849; m. D. Sutherland; d. at Manning, Iowa, in 1882.

LIII. JOHN ESPY, son of William and Elizabeth Nisbet Espy, was b. March 2, 1811; m. Jane Anderson, March 22, 1817. Soon after the birth of their only child,

- i. *Thomas*, b. May 12, 1837; they removed to Ohio and Mr. Espy built the first steam flour mill in Kenton, Hardin County, where he d. in 1878. His wife still lives. Thomas, the son, was admitted to the bar in 1862, but never practiced, preferring to assist his father in his varied business enterprises, in which he was eminently successful. He m. Miss Sallie Johnson in 1870. Thomas Espy laid out and named the town of Espyville, Ohio, near Kenton; was one of the leading men of Kenton for many years. He d. suddenly March 31, 1905. His children were: 1. *Anna Laura*, teaching in Springfield, Mass., 2. *Frank*, 3. *Jesse*. The family live at No. 303 Espy St., Kenton, O.

LIV. ROBERT HAMILTON ESPY, son of Robert H. and Elizabeth Carson Espy, was b. Feb. 10, 1826; went to California in the early days and is a prominent man on the Pacific coast. Residence, Oysterville, Washington. He m. in Oregon, Aug. 7, 1870, Julia A. Jefferson and had:

- i. *Dora* b. May 28, 1872; m. A. King Wilson, Aug. 7, 1895.
- ii. *Robert Hamilton Edward*, b. Jan. 8, 1875, attorney-at-law, Room 6, 4th floor, Mills Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.
- iii. *Harry A.*, b. Nov. 5, 1876; m. Helen M.

- November*
- Richardson, ~~March~~ *November* 24, 1897, Oakland, Cal.  
*iv.* *Susie May*, b. May 2, 1878.  
*v.* *Thomas W.*, b. Nov. 27, 1883.  
*vi.* *Cecil J.*, b. Nov. 28, 1887.  
*vii.* *Lorra*, b. June 19, 1889.

LV. THOMAS ESPY, son of James and Jane Fife Espy, was b. Nov. 23, 1807; m. Elizabeth Hickman, Feb. 26, 1830; lived on a farm and also operated a saw-mill, in Upper St. Clair, Pa.; was Capt. of St. Clair Guards; went into the Civil War as Capt. of Co. H., 62nd. Regt. Pa. Vol. Inf.; was in the fight before Richmond and during the retreat was wounded mortally near Gains Hill, where he d. July 6, 1862, and lies in an unknown grave. His wife d. Sept. 15, 1896. Their children are:

- i.* *Jane*, b. Feb. 20, 1833; m. David C. Bower, 1853.
- ii.* *Abigail*, b. Dec. 13, 1834; m. James Hultz, March 24, 1859.
- iii.* *Mary A.*, b. May 22, 1838; still living at the old home.
- iv.* *Elizabeth*, b. Aug. 18, 1840; m. J. D. Sanders.
- v.* *Sarah*, b. Aug. 18, 1844; m. J. F. Philips, Dec. 25, 1872.
- vi.* *James*, b. May 29, 1847; d. June 26, 1883; unmarried.
- vii.* *Susan*, b. Sept. 23, 1849; m. A. S. Miller, in 1890.

LVI. JAMES ESPY, son of James and Jane Fife Espy, was b. July 23, 1815; m. Susan Sill. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Espy resides in Canonsburg, Pa. They had issue:

- i.* *Eliza J.*, m. Moses Hickman.
- ii.* *Jesse S.*, m. Agnes Woods and had: 1. *Mrs. Howard Herriott*, 2. *Ada*, 3. *James J.*, 4. *Carrie*.
- iii.* *Anna Emma*, m. Joseph E. McCabe.



- iv. *James T.*, m. *Millie Jones*; had issue: 1. *James C.*, 2. *Walter R.*, 3. *Margaret*, who m. *Marshall B. Craighead*, *Cannonsburg, Pa.*
- v. *Laura*; m. *James C. Bebout*; has one child.

LVII. *PHOEBE ESPY*, daughter of *Patterson* and *Mercy Freeman Espy*, was b. Jan. 13, 1811; m. March 15, 1832, *Joseph Free Patton*, whose ancestors were early settlers in *Lancaster County, Pa.* They were devout members of the *U. P. Church*. *Mr. Patton* was an influential and prosperous resident of *Hartstown, Pa.*, where he died Feb. 22, 1890; his wife preceding him Feb. 1, 1890. They had the following children:

- i. *Mary*, b. 1834; d. Dec. 14, 1892; m. *James Baird*, and had: 1. *Mrs. Fannie Patterson*, 2. *Dr. Joseph Free*, 3. *Bertha*.
- ii. *David*, b. Feb. 15, 1836; m. *Mary J. Allen*, Sept. 21, 1859. Residence, *Georgetown, Colo.* Children: 1. *Knud*, b. Dec. 22, 1863; m. *Alice B. Blackburn*. Is a lawyer and journalist. 2. *Grace Espy*, b. Oct. 5, 1866; m. *Maj. W. H. Cowles*, *U. S. A.* She was Prof. of English and Sociology at *Colo. State Agricultural College* at *Ft. Collins*, 1885-1897. Elected *State Superintendent of Public Instruction* of *Colo.* 1897. She was a very brilliant lecturer and writer. Died at *Fort Assiniboine, Montana*, July 22, 1904. She left no children. 3. *Dr. Jessie Patton*, b. July 22, 1869; 4. *Mary Louise*, (*Polly*) b. 1885.
- iii. *Thomas*, b. 1838; m. *Elizabeth McMasters*; served through the Civil war. Has no children.
- iv. *Mercy A.*, b. 1841; m. *James Finley* of *Fayette county, Pa.*
- v. *Joseph Free*, b. 1843; m. *Nannie McMasters* and has: *Clark*, *Scott*, *Elizabeth* and

*Katherine.*

- vi. George*, b. June 11, 1849; m. Mary Bean; residence, Oberlin, Kansas. Has two married daughters.
- vii. Maria*, b. 1851; m. Rev. W. J. Nevin of the U. P. church and has a large family.
- viii. Phoebe Ella*, b. 1853; m. W. F. Tunison; residence, Brooklyn, N. Y.

LVIII. MARIA ESPY, daughter of Patterson and Mercy Freeman Espy, was b. Feb. 24, 1812; became the second wife of John Dickey, Aug. 2, 1838; d. July 13, 1887. Mr. Dickey was a highly respected farmer of Crawford county, Pa. Their childree were:

- i. Rosina A.*, b. March 26, 1840; m. Joseph C. Martin Oct. 12, 1864, and had: 1. *Ralph*, 2. *Dan*, 3. *Joe*, m. Rose Clark; 4. *Budd*.
- ii. Nathaniel Wilson*, b. July 15, 1842; m. Mary A. Elliott, and had: 1. *Lamont E.*, 2. *Grace C.*, 3. *Joseph E.*, m. Tresa Palmanter, 4. *Lou Tina*, 5. *Frank Espy*, 6. *Minnie A.*
- iii. Patterson*, (twin) b. Jan. 18, 1854; unmarried.
- iv. Mercy*, b. Jan. 18, 1854; m. George Gibson of Danville, Iowa, May 2, 1871, and had: 1. *Norval L.*, 2. *Zoie*, 3. *Clifford Dickey*.
- v. Orlando C.*, b. June 15, 1853; m. Kate McKay, 1889.
- vi. Rachel*, b. Oct. 12, 1847; m. Norval Lewis, Dec. 12, 1877, and d. in Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 30, 1882.

LIX. THOMAS STEVENSON ESPY, son of Patterson and Mercy Freeman Espy, was b. March 26, 1814; educated at Gambel's Academy, Jamestown, Pa., and Roberts' Select School, Andover, O.; studied law with, and afterwards became a partner of, Judge Alexander McCalmont, Franklin, Pa.; came to Fort Madison, Iowa, in 1844, where he practiced his profession; operated a flour mill, distillery and foundry; failed in business in

1858. In 1863, he removed to St. Louis, Mo., and became one of the foremost lawyers of the city, but failing health caused him to return to Fort Madison in 1881. He was school director of Madison Township, 1846—56; State Senator 1848—52; was appointed General of the State Militia in 1851. He was always a busy and influential man and d. honored by all that knew him, Dec. 24, 1895. He m. at Meadville, Pa. May 12, 1840, Mary Ann McBride. Had issue:

- i. *Elizabeth McCalmont*, b. Feb. 22, 1841; m. Joseph A. Nunn, April 18, 1866; d. April 1903; had ten children: 1. *John Espy*, b. April 7, 1867; unmarried, 2. *Ralph Alexander*, b. Feb. 10, 1869; unmarried, 3. *Mary Luella*, b. April 5, 1871; unmarried, 4. *Emma Josephine*, b. Feb. 24, 1873; m. Edward Whitcomb, 5. *Thomas*, b. Feb. 24, 1875; m. Lena Inkmann, 6. *Mary Elizabeth*, b. Feb. 7, 1877; m. Bert Sater, *Joseph A., Jr.*, b. Sept. 19, 1878; unmarried, 8. *Georgiana Edgell*, b. Sept. 17, 1880; m. Ralph K. Davis, 9. *Mary Louise*, b. Aug. 2, 1882, 10. *Louis*, b. May 30, 1885; unmarried.
- ii. *Georgiana*, b. May 24, 1842; d. Oct. 26, 1854.
- iii. *James B.*, b. Dec. 16, 1843; d. July 11, 1887; unmarried.
- iv. *Thomas Emmett*, b. April 1, 1846; unmarried.
- v. *William George*, b. Jan. 8, 1857; m. Augusta Brooks, April 18, 1885. Residence, St. Louis, Mo., where Mr. Espy is bookkeeper for the Hoyt Metal Co. Has children: 1. *William Eads*, 2. *Thomas*, 3. *Clarence*, 4. *Albert*, 5. *Ruth*.

LX. PAMELA ESPY, daughter of Patterson and Mercy Freeman Espy, was b. July 3, 1820; m. first, William P. Bennett and had one son:

- i. *William Perry, Jr.*, who m. Noreena Arm-

strong, (descendant of Brigadier General Hankinson of the Revolution); had: *Cora Bennett*.

Mrs. Bennett m. secondly, William Allen and had:

- i. *Nancy Jane*.
- ii. *George*, m.; has one son.
- iii. *Patterson*, b. April 11, 1857; m. and has three daughters.
- iv. *Barlow Espy*; m. and has no children.
- v. *Mercy*, m. Benjamin Hollister, grandson of Nancy Espy Bennett; has three children:

Late in life Mrs. Allen m. David Fry, who d. in 1890. She d. at Fairfield, Iowa, March 13, 1901. Mrs. Fry taught school in youth and during both periods of widowhood.

LXI. ALEXANDER CLARKSON ESPY, son of Patterson and Mercy Freeman Espy, was b. March 27, 1824; m. his cousin, Sarah Matilda Espy, Dec. 24, 1856. He lived and d. on the old farm at Espyville, March 27, 1893. His children were:

- i. *Rosina A.*, b. Oct. 22, 1857; m. Feb. 26, 1878, Charles Mordoff of Minnesota. Had one son, *Charles Espy*, b. Dec. 14, 1883. Mr. Mordoff d. 1905.
- ii. *Loemma*, b. July 7, 1859; m. Albert W. Collins, Feb. 12, 1880. Had children: 1. *Earl Espy*, b. 1882, 2. *Espy Clarkson*, b. 1889, 3. *George Alexander*, b. 1894. Residence, Espyville, Pa.
- iii. *Georgiana*, b. May 6, 1866; m. John H. McDonald, June 13, 1889; d. Sept. 12, 1895, and left children: 1. *Alice Espy*, 2. *Sarah*.
- iv. *Clarkson Freeman*, b. April 22, 1868; unmarried.
- v. *Ella B.*, b. Nov. 6, 1870; m. Henry C. Clark, Aug. 12, 1895. Have children: 1. *Edward Espy*, 2. *Georgiana*.





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vi. *Alexander Roy*, b. April 21, 1874; unmarried.

LXII. STEPHEN BARLOW ESPY, son of Patterson and Mercy Freeman Espy, was b. June 8, 1827, educated at Franklin Pennsylvania Academy, came to Fort Madison, Iowa, with his uncle, Dr. Geo. R. Espy, in 1846, and was bookkeeper for his brother Thomas for two years; m. Rebecca Caroline, daughter of Judge Jacob Cutler, Sept. 11, 1848. Mr. Espy was for some years a merchant in Fort Madison, and was conducting a store in Shelbyville, Ill., at the breaking out of the Civil war. He went to the front as Captain of Co. G, 115th Illinois Vol. Inft. and was killed Sept. 20, 1863. Quoting from the New York Tribune, Oct. 23, 1863: "Capt. Espy, assistant commissary on Gen. Whitaker's staff, was a very lion that day. He was advised to remain with his trains; but too noble spirited for that he remained on the field, fearless of danger, doing wonders in cheering and rallying the men under the destructive fire of the enemy. He is one of Illinois' noble sons, and his loss is severely felt." His children were:

- i. *Toma*, b. June 11, 1849; m. Col. Joseph Blacker Morrison, May 3, 1868. Mr. Morrison served with distinction through the Civil war; he enlisted as a private in Co. D, 7th. Iowa Vol. Inft. and at the siege of Atlanta, was serving on the staff of Gen. E. W. Rice, commander of the 1st. Brigade, 2nd. Division, 15th. Army Corps. He was President of the Morrison Mfg. Co. at the time of his death, Dec. 28, 1904. Quoting from the Fort Madison Democrat: "By the death of Col. Morrison, Fort Madison is deprived of one of its most prominent and respected citizens, he having for many years been a leader in business, social and church lines. The loss to the community is great. In his family relations Mr. Morrison was as

- near perfect as it is given to man to be, and the blow of his sudden death falls with crushing force upon his devoted wife and loving children. The hearts of the people of Fort Madison go out to them in their great sorrow." Mr. Morrison was a Republican in politics, a Catholic in religion. Had issue: 1. *Vincent Espy*, b. 1869; graduated at Notre Dame University 1889; is president Morrison Mfg. Co. and unmarried. 2. *Wm. Iverson*, b. 1871; graduated at Notre Dame University 1890; m. Lillian Mac Henry, Dec. 29, 1898; she d. Jan. 10, 1903. Had no children. Wm. I. is Sec'y. and Treas. of Morrison Mfg. Co. 3. *Marie Generiere*, b. 1873; m. W. G. Smith, Chicago. 4. *Mabel Josephine*, b. 1875; m. Robert N. Johnson, a lawyer of Fort Madison, Iowa. Had issue: *Joseph Morrison* and *Generiere Porter*, (twins), *Margaret* and *Sarah*. 5. *Maria*, b. 1878; now Madame Morrison of the Society of the Sacred Heart. 6. *Helen Louise*, b. 1881. 7. *Sinia Lucile*, b. 1884. 8. *Joseph Barlow*, b. 1887. 9. *Denis Augustin*, b. 1889. 10. *Virginia*, b. 1893 <sup>1893 April</sup>.
- ii. *Knud Iverson*, b. Sept. 11, 1853; m. Adah Zimmerman, Jan. 19, 1875; he was educated at Notre Dame University, and conducted a lumber business at Leon, Iowa. He d. Dec. 29, 1884; left no children. Mrs. Espy is now Mrs. I. E. Larrick, Oberlin, Kansas.
- iii. *Florence Mercy*, b. April 4, 1857. The compiler of this work. Residence, Fort Madison, Iowa.
- iv. *Georgiana*, b. Jan. 19, 1860.

LXIII. NARCISSA YOUNG STEVENSON, daughter of Dr. J. E. and Anna Espy Stevenson, was b. June 14,

1819; m. Rev. E. B. Griffin of the M. E. Church, in 1848; she d. May 27, 1899. They had issue:

- i. *Anna Eliza*, b. March 17, 1849; m. William Riddle Harrison, Massillon, O., Feb. 3, 1869, and had thirteen children.
- ii. *Mary Belle*, b. Feb. 3, 1851; m. Joseph V. K. Newlin, Feb. 3, 1874, and has several children.
- iii. *Callie Taulk*, b. Feb. 14, 1853; m. John P. Beall, May 24, 1877. Had four children.
- iv. *Thomas Espy Stevenson*, b. Jan. 13, 1857; m. Ann Wiley. Residence, Pittsburg, Pa.
- v. *Emma R.*, b. 1859; m. Ivor Hughes, Columbus, Ohio.
- vi. *Narcissa Lily*, m. William Fitzpatrick.

LXIV. NANCY REBECCA ESPY, daughter of James and Nancy Espy was b. March 17, 1829; m. her cousin, Ezekiel H. Sankey, Aug. 26, 1847, and had issue:

- i. *Cynthia J.*, b. Aug. 3, 1850.
- ii. *Sarah E.*, b. May 14, 1853; m. Henry Bishop June 18, 1879. Children: 1. *Henry Sankey*, 2. *Allice Florence*, 3. *Jean Espy*, b. 1886; 4. *Henrietta Sankey*.
- iii. *George Floyd*, b. Oct. 7, 1858.
- iv. *James H.*, b. Nov. 15, 1860; d. Sept. 4, 1873.
- v. *Mrs. Ella Bradon*, Greenville, Pa.

LXV. JOHN BOYD ESPY, son of James and Nancy Espy, was b. July 13, 1838; m. Esther Collins, Oct. 13, 1864; was educated at Allegheney College, Meadville, Pa.; enlisted with the Allegheney College Vols. at Meadville, Pa., June 4, 1861. Resigned Oct. 4, 1864, on account of wounds received in the battle of Spottsylvania, Va., as Captain of Co. H, 145th. Pennsylvania Vols., Col. H. L. Brown's Regiment, Gen. Brook's Brigade, Gen. Barlow's division and Gen. Hancock's 2nd. Corps; is a minister of the M. E. church; at present (1905) he is Presiding Elder, Fredonia, N. Y. They had issue:

- i. Mary*, b. Oct. 9, 1865; m. Rev. Samuel M. Gordon of the M. E. church, June 22, 1887, and has children.
- ii. Emma*, b. Aug. 28, 1867; m. Fred I. Kennedy Sept. 10, 1889; d. and left children.
- iii. Harry Boyd*, b. Jan. 4, 1870. Lawyer, Buffalo, N. Y.; unmarried.
- iv. Angeline*, b. Nov. 21, 1873; d. Nov. 11, 1899.
- v. Anna Agnes*, b. April 25, 1880.

LXVI. HARVEY ADAMS ESPY, son of Josiah and Margaret Mitchell Espy, was b. Oct. 9, 1823; m. Mary A. Winter (who was b. May 5, 1851; d. April 29, 1904;) June 9, 1854. He was a farmer at Flat Rock, Crawford Co., Ill., where he d. Oct. 18, 1892. Had issue:

- i. Martha Louise*, b. Sept. 8, 1855; m. Samuel K. Duncan, April 10, 1873, and has four children.
- ii. James Alvin*, b. April 1, 1857; m. Margaret A. Ross, May 4, 1885, and had children: 1. *Charles Harvey*, 2. *Lottie M.*, 3. *James Harrison*, 4. *Flossie Belle*.
- iii. Edwin*, b. Sept. 24, 1859; m. Julia A. Miller Nov. 12, 1884, and had children: 1. *Earl Samuel*, 2. *Alpha L.*
- iv. John Winter*, b. Sept. 24, 1861; m. Elizabeth A. Wheeler Nov. 21, 1888, and had children: 1. *Chester Wheeler*, 2. *Flora Elsie*, 3. *Carrie A.*, 4. *Charles Josiah*.
- v. Mary N.*, b. Jan. 25, 1867; m. David Campbell Duncan, April 17, 1887, and had two daughters.
- vi. Margaret Hulda*, b. March 29, 1869; unmarried.
- vii. Harry Givens*, b. May 23, 1872; m. Sarah A. Miller, Nov. 8, 1894.

LXVII. WILLIAM PATTERSON ESPY, son of Wm. P.

and Elizabeth Johnson Espy, was b. Aug. 15, 1833; m. Mary Zeech in 1853; served in 152nd. Ohio Vol. Inf. during the Civil war and d. in Greenville, O., April 21, 1903, where his widow still lives. They had issue:

- i. *Alvaretta*, b. Oct. 26, 1854; m. Alden Prescott Sawyer and has one son, *Walter Espy*.
- ii. *Orrille Grant*, b. July 30, 1862; m. Philipina Schneider; residence, Dayton, O.
- iii. *Alvardo A.*, b. Sept. 4, 1856; m. Mary Clifford and had children: 1. *Clifford Andrew*, b. 1884; 2. *Wm. Patterson*, b. 1886; 3. *Roy Vance*.

LXVIII. MARIA STEVENSON, daughter of Joseph and Mary Espy Stevenson, was born in 1796; m. Samuel McKee at New Castle, Pa., in 1818. Had issue:

- i. *Joseph Sterenson*, b. 1819; d. 1826.
- ii. *Sarah Jane*, b. 1822; m. James H. Graham of Butler, Pa., in 1840, and had: 1. *Mrs. Jane Grimes*, whose daughter is *Mrs. Andrew Brown*, Creston, Iowa, 2. *Marianne*, b. 1845; m. Nelson Bruner and has daughter, *Nellie*, at Muncy, Pa., *Samuel M.*, b. 1848; m. Lydia Quigley; has issue: *Jean*, m. Dr. John Gordon of Bellvernon, Pa., *Mary Q.*, *Samuel, Jr.*, *Joseph* and *James*; residence, Uniontown, Pa., 4. *Anna Kate*, b. 1853; m. R. B. Miller of Allegheny, Pa., and has: *James Espy* and *Andrew D.*
- iii. *Mary Espy*, b. Dec. 25, 1823; m. Jonathan Katon, 1848, and had: 1. *Samuel*, 2. *Thomas Josiah*, 3. *Granville B.*, residence, Tipton City, Ind., 4. *Melville Graham*; m. Charity Packer, 5. *Mrs. H. Jefferson Reed*, Tipton City, Ind.

LXIX. MARIANNE STEVENSON, daughter of Joseph and Mary Espy Stevenson, was b. 1803; m. Frederick Rohrer at Kittanning, Pa., March 28, 1820, Rev. John

Reddick, officiating. She d. Sept. 10, 1874, at Tidionte, Pa. Mr. Rohrer d. Aug. 23, 1837, at Kittanning. They had issue:

- i. *Mary Ellen*, living at Tidionte, Pa. Unmarried.
- ii. *John Wise*; m. and has children: 1. *Fred-erick*, m. *Mary A. Hafts* and had: *Winifred* and *John W., Jr.* 2. *William Hilton*; d. aged six years.
- iii. *Elizabeth*; m. *Mr. Brown* and had: 1. *Charles*, 2. *Frank*, 3. *Carl*, 4. *George*, 5. *Asa*, 6. *Ann*, 7. *Carrie*, 8. *John W.*
- iv. *George Stevenson*; unmarried.

*George* and *John W. Rohrer* own and publish the "Democrat and Sentinel" at Kittanning, Pa.

- v. *Mrs. Emily Monks*; has two children: 1. *Mrs. Mary Byers*, Spokane, Wash., 2. *Frank C. Monks*.



## Descendants of Josiah and Elizabeth Crain Espy.

I. JOSIAH ESPY, son of Josiah and Priscilla Mitchell Espy, was b. in the north of Ireland in 1699; m. 1740 Elizabeth Crain, who came to America with her brothers, William and Joseph, in 1732. She was b. 1719, in County Down, Ireland, and after the death of Josiah Espy, she m. secondly, Robert Ewing, by whom she had no children.

Josiah Espy settled in Hanover township, Lancaster county, Pa., buying land from the Proprietaries, May 25, 1745. In addition to his farm he carried on a blacksmith shop and was highly respected and esteemed; he grew to be the wealthiest man of the locality. When he died in 1760, he left considerable property, "two shares of which went to Josiah, eldest son and heir-at-law." Their children were:

2.     *i.*   *Josiah*, b. March 10, 1742; d. July 22, 1813.
- ii.*   *Susanna*, b. 1743; m. by Rev. John Roan, in 1760, to John Patton. Both are buried in Paxtang.
3.     *iii.*   *Mary*, b. 1745; m. Dec. 23, 1760, by Rev. John Roan, to James McClure.
- iv.*   *Martha*, b. Jan. 12, 1747; m. Capt. Lazarus Stewart in 1767, in Derry church. She d. in Hanover township, Luzerne county, Pa., in 1804. Few women have lived through more

frontier hardships and more heart-breaking sorrows than Martha Espy. Capt. Lazarus Stewart, was b. July 4, 1734, in Hanover Township, Lancaster County, Pa., of the same Scotch-Irish stock as his wife. In 1755, he raised a company and did valiant service on the frontier as a ranger; the active part he took in Conestoga and Lancaster in the destruction of the murderous and vagabond Indians in 1763, made him a prominent personage in Pennsylvania history during that period. During the Revolution he was an active partizan and fell at the head

of his troops at the Massacre of Wyoming, July 3, 1776. Two days before this, was born, Martha, his youngest child. On July 4, 1776, while Philadelphia was going wild over the newly declared independence, Martha Espy Stewart, the sorrow-stricken widow, weak in body, but strong in that soul-courage that always conquers, embarked with her children in a frail open boat and floated down the Susquehanna River to Harrisburg, to friends and safety. After peace came to the land, she with her children returned to their home. Their descendants still live in the vicinity of Wilkesbarre. They had issue: 1. *James*, m. Hannah Jameson, 2. *Elizabeth*, m. Alexander Jameson, 3. *Margaret*, m. James Campbell, 4. *Martha*, d. unmarried.

4. *v. George*, b. 1749; m. Mary Stewart.

*vi. John*, b. 1751; d. 1787, unmarried.

5. *vii. Samuel*, b. 1753; m. Martha Chambers.

*viii. Robert*, b. 1755.

*ix. Priscilla*, b. 1757; m. first, James Stewart, brother of Capt. Lazarus Stewart. After his death, in 1783, she m. Capt. Andrew Lee, who was b. 1739 in Hanover Township, Lancaster County, Pa.; d. in 1821 in Hanover Township, Lazerne County, Pa. He served as a dragoon during the Revolution from Lancaster County.

II. JOSIAH ESPY, son of Josiah and Elizabeth Crain Espy, was b. March 10, 1742; d. July 22, 1813; m. July 8, 1769, by Rev. John Roan, Anna Kirkpatrick, b. Jan. 11, 1750; d. May 31, 1842; daughter of William and Margaret Kirkpatrick, of Paxtang Township. Josiah Espy served during the Revolution in Capt. Richard McQuon's Co., Col. William Green's battalion, of Lancaster County, Aug. 31, 1776. Proof of this can be found on p. 320, Vol. 2, Second Series, Archives of Pennsylvania. He was in the State Legislature in 1806—'08. They had issue:

*i. Margaret*, b. Nov. 8, 1771; d. Sept. 4, 1751; m.

Samuel, thirteenth child of Rev. John Elder and his second wife, Sarah Simpson. Samuel Elder was b. Feb. 27, 1772, and they were m. March 7, 1793. They had issue: 1. *Ann Espy*, b. 1794; m. Alexander W. Piper and had: 1. *Col. Alex. Piper*, U. S. A., graduated from West Point in 1851, 2. *James W. E.*, died from wounds received in Civil War. He m. and had: *Lieut. Alex. R. Piper*, U. S. A. and *Vandyke*. 2. *John Elder*, b. 1796; m. and had: *John Ritchey Elder*, of Indianapolis, Ind., and *Samuel Elder*, of Bradford, Iowa. 3. *Mary*, b. 1798; m. William M. Guilford, of Lebanon, Pa., and had children. 4. *Josiah*, b. 1801; d. Oct. 30, 1844; unmarried. 5. *Sarah McAllister*, b. Sept. 16, 1803; m. William H. Doll, and had: *Samuel*, *Ann Espy*, *Esther*, m. James M. Bradshaw, *Catharine*, *Emma*, m. Charles Lukens Bailey; residence, Harrisburg, Pa. Their eldest son, *William Elder*, m. a daughter of General Alger, of Detroit.

ii. *Priscilla*, (twin) b. Dec. 8, 1771; d. Sept. 29, 1845; m. Robert McClure, b. Dec. 18, 1763; d. July 21, 1839, son of William McClure and Margaret Wright. They had issue: 1. *William*, b. Feb. 1. 1795; d. Aug. 16, 1852; m. and left children, 2. *Ann*, b. 1797, 3. *Robert W.*, b. 1800; d. Sept. 26, 1865, 4. *Priscilla Jean*, 5. *Josiah Espy*, removed to Franklin County, Pa.; m. and had children, 6. *Margaret*, 7. *Rebecca*, m. Mathew Brown, May 27, 1834.

iii. *Josiah*, b. 1774; d. April 13, 1811 in Bloom township, Northumberland county, Pa.; unmarried.

6. iv. *William*, b. June 2, 1776; m. Susanna Gray.

7.     *v.*   *James Snodgrass*, b. July 18, 1788.
- vi.*   *John Elder*, b. Oct. 12, 1790; d. April 26, 1831; unmarried; was a physician of ability.
8.     *vii.* *David*, b. June 11, 1792; m. Rebecca Allen.

III. MARY ESPY, daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth Crain Espy, was b. 1745 in Hanover township, Lancaster county, and d. 1818, in Columbia county, Pa. She m. Dec. 23, 1760, Rev. John Roan officiating, James McClure, who was b. in Paxtang township in 1733; d. Nov. 14, 1805, at McClure's Fort, Columbia county, Pa. He removed in 1769 to the "Wyoming settlement," and had his home on the west bank of the North Branch of the Susquehanna, where he built a log house surrounded by a stockade, known as McClure's Fort. He was a member of the Committee of Safety during the Revolution, and a man of prominence during that illustrious era. They had issue:

- i.*   *Margaret*, m. Major Moses Van Campen; d. March, 1845. Moses Van Campen was a brave soldier of the Revolution; a scholarly man; a christian gentleman. He d. Oct. 15, 1849, at Angelica, N. Y., aged 92 years, and left children: 1. *Mary*, b. Oct. 10, 1784; m. George Lockhart of Almond, N. Y., and had: *Alfred*, *James*, *Joseph*, and *Mary*, 2. *Anna*, b. Oct. 29, 1786; m. Alvin Burr, 3. *Priscilla*, b. Sept. 15, 1789; m. Samuel Mulholland, 4. *Elizabeth*, b. April 3, 1792; m. Rev. Robert Hubbard and had: *Rev. John N. Hubbard*, who wrote "The Life and Times of Major Moses Van Campen", 5. *Lavinia*, b. March 3, 1794; m. Dr. Samuel Southworth.
- ii.* *James*, b. 1770; d. Oct. 4, 1850, on the old homestead.

IV. GEORGE ESPY, son of Josiah and Elizabeth Crain Espy, was b. 1749; d. April 1814, in Luzerne

County, Pa. His father in March 1775, conveyed to him a tract of land in Northumberland County, Pa., to which he moved the same year. He was commissioned May 31, 1800, a justice of the peace, for the districts of Hanover and Wilkes-Barre, which office he held at the time of his death; was an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Wilkes-Barre; was commissioned second Lieutenant, June 1776, of Capt. Robert Crawford's Company, Col. Samuel Hunter's Battalion of Northumberland County, and was in active service. Proof of this is found in the Archives of Pennsylvania. George Espy was a stone mason and built the old stone jail on East Market St., Wilkes-Barre; m. Mary Stewart, daughter of John Stewart, of Derry Township, Lancaster County; she d. in 1820. They had issue:

- i. *Ann*, b. April 5, 1777; m. Ambrose Tilly of Luzerne County, and died childless.
9. ii. *John*, b. July 26, 1779; m. Lovinia Inman.
- iii. *Mary*, b. Nov. 29, 1781; m. Thomas Bennett; resided in Nauticoke, and both died there. Had issue: 1. *Mary Ann*, m. in 1829, Alden I. Bennett, son of Isaac Bennett; studied medicine and became the first physician of the Borough of Nauticoke; in 1831, removed to Bolivar, Ohio; was a member of the constitutional convention of that State in 1851; in 1853, located in Beloit, Wisconsin; was a State Senator and died there in 1862. Two of his sons, *Thomas and Phineas*, served during the Civil War as lieutenants of Wisconsin regiments; Thomas Bennett, m. Jennie, daughter of Hon. James Ewing of Ohio.
- iv. *George*, b. Dec. 19, 1784; m. Elizabeth Eicke, and had: *Sarah Ann*, b. May 9, 1814; d. May 27, 1877; m. 1838, Joseph Tyson Preston, coal operator of Plymouth, and they



had: 1. *Edwin R.*, m. *Mary McCormack*, 2. *George Espy*, civil engineer, died unmarried, 3. *Gertrude*, m. *Frank Turner*, 4. *Marion W.*, b. April 22, 1844; m. Dec. 5, 1866, *Stephen B. Vaughan* of Kingston.

V. SAMUEL ESPY, son of Josiah and Elizabeth Crain Espy, was b. 1753; m. *Martha Chambers*, in Philadelphia, Nov. 16, 1778; Aug. 30, 1776, he was a member of Capt. Richard McQuown's Co., Col. Thimothy Green's battalion of Lancaster County, and was in the Jersey campaign. Proof is to be found on page 320, Vol 13, Second Series, Archives of Pennsylvania. His children were:

10.
  - i. *Samuel Chambers*, b. July 5, 1779.
  - ii. *Andrew*, b. March 12, 1782; went into the navy and was killed in 1804, at the siege of Tripoli.
  - iii. *Thomas*, b. Aug. 4, 1783; d. July 30, 1784.
  - iv. *Hannah*, b. Dec. 30, 1785; d. unmarried.
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  - v. *John*, b. Oct 15, 1787; m. *Ann Scott*.
  - vi. *Eliza*, b. 1788; m. *Cornelius McLean*; had issue: 1. *Cornelius*, a lawyer of Annapolis, Md., 2. *Charles*, physician of Baltimore, Md., 3. *William*, merchant of Baltimore, Md., 4. *George*, merchant of Baltimore, Md., 5. *Eugene*, of New York City, 6. *Eliza*, m. *Henry Hardisty*, and had: 1. *Mary*, who m. *General Stoneman*, during the Civil War; afterwards he was Governor of California, 2. *Alice*, 3. *McLean Hardisty*; residence, Boston, Mass.
12.
  - vii. *James*, b. Dec. 2, 1790; m. *Miss Swain*.
  - viii. *Nancy (Ann)*, b. Feb. 27, 1793; m. *James Gaither* in Washington, D. C., Sept. 9, 1817, Rev. *John Breckenridge*, officiating; d. in Cincinnati, Ohio, Aug. 24, 1876, at the home



of her daughter, Mrs. Martha Hinkle; their children were: 1. *Martha*, b. Feb. 14, 1820; m. Philip Hinkle of Wilson, Hinkle & Co., Cincinnati. They had no children. 2. *James*, b. March 17, 1821; died, 3. *Thomas*, b. April 15, 1826; d. Nov. 3, 1903, 4. *Eliza*, b. Nov. 10, 1828; m. — Seymour.

i. *William*, b. March 26, 1795.

x. *Margaret*, b. 1797; m. Mr. McLaughlin of Lancaster, Penna.

VI. WILLIAM ESPY, son of Josiah and Ann Kirkpatrick Espy was b. June 2, 1776; d. July 28, 1850, in Harrisburg, Pa.; m. June 2, 1807, by Rev. James R. Sharon, to Susanna Gray, b. June 18, 1782; d. July 10, 1854; daughter of Joseph Gray and Elizabeth Forster; both are buried in Paxton Church graveyard. They had issue:

i. *Elizabeth Gray*, b. 1808; she m. Dec. 29, 1859, Samuel W. Sharp of Cumberland county; b. March 27, 1822; d. Dec. 6, 1877. Mrs. Sharp is still living in Harrisburg.

ii. *Josiah*, b. 1810; d. Aug. 12, 1891; m. Mary, daughter of Samuel McKeehan of Newville, in 1843. She was b. 1815; d. Dec. 23, 1897, at her home in Harrisburg. They had issue: 1. *Susanna*, b. Nov. 1, 1852; m. Harry D. Boas, son of David and Margaret Bates Boas, and have children: *Mary Espy* and *Sarah*; 2. *Helen*, b. July 21, 1857.

iii. *Ann*, b. Aug. 3, 1812; m. Abner Rutherford Feb. 28, 1839 and had: 1. *William Franklin*, one of the best known farmers of the Paxtang Valley; was trustee of Paxton Church for many years. b. Dec. 7, 1839; m. Adeline M. Rutherford; d. Nov. 9, 1904. Had children: *Ann Espy*, *Richard*, *Mrs. Jane Bingham*, *Adeline M.*, *Marshall*, *Kesiah Parke*, and *Donald*.

2. *John Marshall*, 3. *Susanna Espy*, 4. *Sarah*, 5. *Abner*, 6. *Alice*, 7. *Ada B.*, m. *Spencer F. Barber*; has four children.

VII. JAMES SNODGRASS ESPY, son of Josiah and Ann Kirkpatrick Espy, was b. July 18, 1788; d. Sept. 21, 1872 in Harrisburg, Pa.; was a merchant and prominent citizen; m. first, March 30, 1817, at Isle Benvenue, Mary Huling, daughter of Thomas Huling. They had issue:

13. i. *Thomas Huling*, b. Dec. 30, 1817.
- ii. *Anna Elizabeth*, b. Jan. 1, 1820; d. June 15, 1854; m. Jan. 1, 1838, Hugh H. Stockton, and had: 1. *Mary Pollard*, m. Capt. Dean Monahan, U. S. A.; 2. *Henry T.*, Lieut. U. S. N.; m. Catherine Ownslow of Cornwall, England.

James Espy m. secondly, in Philadelphia, March 10, 1825, Mary H. Pollard, b. Dec. 15, 1802, (a sister of Mrs. James P. Espy with whom she made her home). Dec. 15, 1902, Mrs. Mary Espy celebrated her 100th. birthday and died in Feb., 1903. Their children were:

- iii. *Margaret Pollard*, b. Dec. 20, 1825; d. Nov. 26, 1847.
- iv. *James Pollard*, b. Dec. 20, 1827; d. Feb. 26, 1880; unmarried.
- v. *William Kirkpatrick*, b. 1831; d. March 4, 1868, at Clouterville, La., graduated in medicine and was in active practice at the time of his death; m. Rectina St Croix Cockfield, and had: *Mary*, b. 1867; m. in 1900, Capt. Galbraith, U. S. A.
- vi. *Eliza L.*, b. 1833; m. Nov. 8, 1853, William Sergeant, of Philadelphia; Col. of 210th. Regt. Pa. Vol. Inft. Died on his way home April, 1865, from wound received in front of

Petersburg, Va. They had: 1. *Margaretta*, m. Alexander James Dallas Dixon; residence, Philadelphia, 2. *Mary*, 3. *Louisa*, m. John C. Kunkle; residence, Harrisburg, 4. *Sarah*, 5. *Eliza*, m. William H. Meyers of Philadelphia.

VIII. DAVID ESPY, son of Josiah and Ann Kirkpatrick Espy, was b. June 11, 1792; d. April 21, 1840, in Paxtang; m. Dec. 16, 1816, Rebecca Allen, b. July 24, 1796; d. Oct. 1871. David Espy was precentor of Paxton Church for over twenty years. His children were:

- i. *Josiah*, b. Sept. 29, 1817; m. Anne Valentine of Baltimore, Md., April 10, 1872; d. Jan. 13, 1897, leaving one child, *Minnie Maude*, b. March 7, 1873; residence, Decatur, Ill.
- ii. *Wm. Kirkpatrick*, b. April 9, 1819; m. Martha Sturgeon; she d. Jan., 1864; he m. secondly; had issue: 1. *Mrs. Rebecca Quinn*, 2. *Mrs. Lida S. O'Brien*, Galesburg, Ill.; 3. *David A.* of Wellington, Kansas; 4. *Mrs. Ella Worthington*, Groveland, Ill.; 5. *Mrs. Sarah Emerson*, Peoria, Ill.; 6. *Miss Anna M.*, Peoria, Ill.; 7. *Dr. Charles W.* of Chicago.
- iii. *Anna Maria*, b. May 11, 1822; m. March 1, 1849, James Todd, and had: 1. *Rev. David Todd*, Congregational Church, Cameron, Mo.; 2. *Andrew*, 3. *William*, Peoria, Ill.; 4. *Mrs. Oliver Pettijohn*, Farmington, Ill.
14. iv. *David*, b. Sept. 8, 1826; m. Aug. 19, 1851, Ann Catherine Jackson, who d. Aug. 16, 1879; residence, Arrowsmith, Ill.
15. v. *John Alexander*, b. July 26, 1829; m. Martha Fry, Feb. 22, 1853; d. 1888.
- vi. *Susanna M.*, b. Feb. 1, 1833; m. Dr. Marvin S. Carr, of Galesburg, Ill., May 16, 1854; he d. April 29, 1899. Their children are: 1.

*Mrs. Annette E. Robbins, 2. Elizabeth, 3. Rev. Edwin S., of the Congregational Church, Stillman Valley, Ill.*

IX. JOHN ESPY, son of George and Mary Stewart Espy, was b. in 1779; d. March 25, 1848, in Hanover township, Luzerne county, Pa. Quoting from his obituary: "He was a man of honorable feelings, hospitable and generally beloved." He m. April 5, 1809, Lovina Inman, b. 1787; d. 1876; daughter of Col. Edward Inman, of the Revolution. They had issue:

16. *i. James*, b. 1811; m. Mary A. Miller.
17. *ii. Fannie*, b. 1813; m. Abraham Line.
- iii. Lovina*, b. 1820; m. Peter Miller and had: 1. *John*, 2. *Winfield*, of Irving Mills, Mich.
- iv. Mary*, b. 1822; d. Nov. 29, 1889; m. April 10, 1845, John R. Line, b. March 25, 1825; d. Nov. 22, 1890.
- v. Priscilla*, b. 1827; m. Levi M. Miller, and had: 1. *Edward*, 2. *Dollie*, 3. *Ida*, 4. *Otis*, 5. *Mary*, 6. *Oscar*, 7. *Wallace*, 8. *Paul*.

X. SAMUEL CHAMBERS ESPY, son of Samuel and Martha Chambers Espy, was b. July 5, 1779; m. Rebecca Smith in 1801; had issue:

- i. William Smith*, m. Mary A. Herrington, July 3, 1825; had issue: 1. *William P.*; residence, Baltimore, Md., 2. *James S.*; residence, Washington, D. C., 3. *Mrs. Emma James*; residence, Baltimore, Md., 4. *Mrs. Sarah Sunderland*; residence, Baltimore, Md., 5. *Fannie*, residence, Baltimore, Md., 6. *Thomas C.*, residence, Ellicott City, Md.
- ii. Samuel C. Espy*, m. Priscilla Fowler, March 5, 1829, and had: 1. *Samuel Balak*, b. Dec. 28, 1829; has been a prominent political leader of Howard County, Md., for many years; has three sons; lives at Catonsville, Md.

2. *John Joseph*, b. Feb. 12, 1833; served in Quarter Master's Dept. Washington, D. C., during Civil War, from Sept. 1861, to April, 1865. Has daughter, *Ida*.

XI. JOHN ESPY, son of Samuel and Martha Chambers Espy, was b. Oct. 15, 1787; m. Ann Scott, Feb. 25, 1813. Residence, Washington, D. C. They had issue:

- i. *William Espy*, b. Dec. 15, 1813; died.
- 18. ii. *John*, b. Sept. 22, 1815; d. Dec. 15, 1873.
- iii. *James M.*, b. Feb. 5, 1817; died.
- iv. *Eliza Ann*, b. Oct. 10, 1818; d. Sept. 4, 1819.
- v. *Mary A.*, b. Sept. 10, 1820; died.
- vi. *Samuel Chambers*, b. April 3, 1822; died.
- vii. *George Washington*, }
- viii. *Andrew Jackson*, } Twins, d. in infancy.
- ix. *Margaret*, b. Jan. 17, 1826; died.
- x. *Alexander Henry*, b. Oct. 3, 1827; d. Sept. 6, 1829.
- xi. *Martha*, b. Nov. 27 1830; died.

XII. JAMES ESPY, son of Samuel and Martha Chambers Espy, was b. Dec. 2, 1790; m. Miss Swain, daughter of a Methodist minister of Philadelphia, in 1811. She d. in 1860; he left home in 1816, and never came back to his family, but lived longer than his wife. Their children were:

- i. *Samuel*, b. 1812; m. 1832, in Huntington County, Pa.; d. in Dakota, in 1854; had issue:
  - 1. *Richard J.*, b. 1833; has family at Ashland, Ky.,
  - 2. *Thomas E.*, b. 1835; has family at Brookville, Pa.,
  - 3. *Mrs. Elizabeth Leach*, b. 1837; has family at Brookville, Pa.,
  - 4. *Samuel*, b. 1839; has family in Columbia City, Washington,
  - 5. *James M.* b. 1840; has family at Brookville, Pa.,
  - 6. *Martha*, b. 1842; d. in Dakota in 1852,
  - 7. *Mrs Anna Fleming*, b. 1844, Corsica, Jefferson County, Pa.,
  - 8.



*Mrs. Catherine Plaice*, b. 1846; lives in British Columbia.

XIII. THOMAS HULING ESPY, son of James Snodgrass and Mary Huling Espy, was b. Jan. 1, 1818, in Harrisburg, Pa., studied medicine with Dr. W. W. Rutherford; graduated at Jefferson Medical College; came to Texas about 1838. Several years after coming to Texas, he worked with his uncle, Thomas B. Huling in the real estate business; was married to Elizabeth M. Wilson, May 18, 1842, in Jasper County, Texas. He practiced medicine only a few years after marriage. During the "California Gold Boom" in '49, he went and stayed two years, but amassed no fortune and returned. For several succeeding years he was a U. S. mail contractor. He came to Burnette County, Texas, in 1856, and lived there until his death. During the last forty years of his life he was engaged in agriculture and stock raising. The tides of fortune "came and went" with him. From '61 to '71, the Indians deprecated in Texas, he having many fierce combats, and narrow escapes from a cruel death at their hands; also suffered severe losses of cattle and horses stolen by Indians. He was a staunch democrat and enthusiastic politician all his life; was a member of Masonic fraternity. Having a generous, charitable, affectionate disposition, his friends were many. While on political business to Burnet, on June 13, 1896, he died of heart failure. Was interred in the family cemetery at Pitt Creek in Lampasas County, Texas. Elizabeth M., his wife, was b. June 9, 1824, in Dallas County, Alabama. She still survives him. Their married life together lasted fifty-four years. To them were born twelve children:

- i. *James A.*, b. April 10, 1843; m. ~~April 9, 1878~~ <sup>March 12, 1878</sup>, Annie Kemper, of Cincinnati, O., b. Dec. 29, 1848. He served all through the Civil War as a confederate soldier; d. March 12, 1870.



- Had issue: *Sidney W.* b. Feb. 23, 1879; m. Beulah McGrew; residence, Brady, Texas.
19. ii. *Thomas Huling*, b. Dec. 21, 1844; d. Jan. 15, 1853.
19. iii. *Catherine L.*, b. Nov. 23, 1846; m. John A. Knight.
20. iv. *Henry Clay*, b. Feb. 11, 1849; m. April, 1872.
- v. *Anne E.*, (twin) b. Feb. 11, 1849; d. March 31, 1849.
- vi. *Mary A.*, b. Dec. 18, 1852; m. Chas. A. Yoas, July 15, 1871; residence, Brady, Texas. Had issue: 1. *Thomas Espy*, b. April 11, 1872; 2. *John Stockton*, b. Dec. 8, 1874; 3. *Mary Allender*, b. Dec. 20, 1873; d. in infancy; 4. *Bird Greenwood*, b. March 1, 1877; 5. *William Henry*, b. Jan. 12, 1879; 6. *Hugh A.*, b. May 31, 1883; 7. *Elizabeth Kate*, b. July 4, 1888.
- vii. *Bathsheba Allender*, b. April 8, 1854; m. Bird C. Greenwood, Dec. 27, 1871; residence, Lampasas, Tex. They had issue: 1. *Minnie E.*, b. Oct. 9, 1872; m. T. J. Harris, Dec. 23, 1897; 2. *Harry W.*, b. Nov. 26, 1874; 3. *William Thomas*, b. April 15, 1876; d. Nov. 6, 1878; 4. *Guardie Bird*, b. Aug. 10, 1879; d. Sept. 23, 1884; 5. *Alice L.*, b. Jan. 27, 1882; 6. *John Espy*, b. April 28, 1884; 7. *Balla Stockton Bird*, b. Dec. 24, 1886.
- viii. *Henrietta Victoria*, b. Nov. 2, 1856; m. John I. Jones, of Virginia. Had issue: 1. *Virginia E.*, b. Oct. 17, 1875; m. R. A. King, 2. *Samuel E.*, b. Dec. 20, 1877, 3. *Jonnie Florence*, b. Oct. 21, 1883, 4. *Thomas Kirk*, b. Feb. 10, 1886, 5. *Cleveland Thurman*, b. Sept. 20, 1888, 6. *Emma A.*, b. April 10, 1893.
- ix. *Rebecca Helen*, b. Jan. 24, 1859; d. April 10, 1870.

- x. *Hugh Stockton*, b. May 11, 1861; m. *Annie Harrell*, Feb. 8, 1890; residence, Brady, Texas. Had issue: 1. *Nettie May*, b. Oct. 14, 1890, 2. *Sarah E.*, b. May 21, 1892; d. July 23, 1894, 3. *Thomas H.*, b. May 12, 1896.
- xi. *William Kirkpatrick*, b. Dec. 6, 1863; d. Nov. 29, 1890.
- xii. *John Thomas*, b. Jan. 11, 1866; m. *Mary E. Smith*, Jan. 20, 1892; residence, Brady, Tex. They had issue: 1. *Minnie M.*, b. Dec. 23, 1892, 2. *Helen Eugenia*, b. Nov. 28, 1894, 3. *Robert Thomas*, b. Dec. 12, 1898.

XIV. DAVID ESPY, son of David and Rebecca Allen Espy, was b. Sept. 8, 1826; m. Ann Catherine Jackson, Aug. 19, 1851; she d. Aug. 16, 1879. David Espy lives at Arrowsmith, Ill. They had issue:

- i. *Rebecca Allen*, b. June 5, 1852; d. Sept. 2, 1853.
- ii. *Anna May*, b. Dec. 7, 1854; d. May 13, 1855.
- iii. *David Brainard*, b. Feb. 3, 1857; m. *Frank Wise*, April 5, 1888; residence, LaPlace, Ill.
- iv. *Willie*, b. Dec. 1, 1859; d. Feb. 6, 1860.
- v. *Sarah Margaret*, b. April 25, 1861; m. *Chastine Major*, March 16, 1892; residence, Arrowsmith, Ill.
- vi. *Ellen Jackson*, b. May 27, 1864; m. *William Rodgers Humphrey*, July 31, 1888; residence, Chicago. Had: *Herbert McKay*, b. May 27, 1889, and *Dwight Espy*, b. Dec. 19, 1895; d. April 30, 1897.

XV. JOHN ALEXANDER ESPY, son of David and Rebecca Allen Espy, was b. July 26, 1829; d. Nov. 21, 1894; m. Martha Fry, Feb. 12, 1853. They had issue:

- i. *Mary Emma*, b. Dec. 18, 1855; m. *Joseph W. Giles*, Sept. 8, 1880; residence, Peoria, Ill. They had: *Olo Fern*, b. Oct. 11, 1882.
- ii. *Isabel Florence*, b. Oct. 8, 1857; d. June 12, 1864.

- iii. *Winfield Scott*, b. Nov. 9, 1859; m. *Abbie E. Slough*, Feb. 25, 1885; she d. July 14, 1893; residence, Peoria, Ill. They had: 1. *Jennie M.*, 2. *Delia Edith*, 3. *Bella W.*
- iv. *William Ellsworth*, b. Oct 16, 1863; d. July 30, 1864.
- v. *William Elder*, (twin) b. Oct. 16, 1863; m. *Clara A. Sherman*, Oct. 14, 1897; residence, Peoria, Ill.
- vi. *Charles Edward*, b. Feb. 21, 1869.

*John A. Espy* m. secondly, *Mrs. Rebecca Silvers*, Oct. 4, 1871 and had issue:

- vii. *Annie E.*, b. Dec. 5, 1872; m. *William Crutcher*, April 27, 1892; residence, Ellsworth, Ill. Had: 1. *Alice Elder*, 2. *Franklin P.*, 3. *Infant*.
- viii. *Rebecca Alice*, b. Nov. 15, 1879; m. *William A. Arnold*, Oct. 6, 1897; residence, Anchor, Ill.
- ix. *Franklin Stephens*, b. March 14, 1882.
- x. *Guy*, b. Oct. 8, 1884; d. Oct. 19, 1884.

XVI. *JAMES ESPY*, son of *John* and *Lovina Inman Espy*, was b. in Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pa., in 1811; d. 1872, at Rummerfield Creek, Bradford County, Pa., whither he removed in 1863. He m. in 1841, *Mary A. Miller*, b. Dec. 26, 1818; d. Feb. 15, 1878, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., daughter of *Barnett Miller* and *Mary DeWitt*. They had issue:

- i. *Major John Espy*, one of the foremost citizens of St. Paul, Minn., first saw the light of day in the historic Wyoming Valley at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pa., Sept. 21, 1842. *George*, a son of *Josiah* was b. in 1749, and was a soldier in the war of Independence. He m. *Mary Stewart*, a sister of *Capt. Lazarus Stewart*, who fell at the massacre of Wyoming—a region which for many years

was the scene of sanguinary conflicts between contending patriots and the Tories, British and Indians, and famed, later, for the long series of internecine contests known as the "Pennymite Wars." Capt. Stewart was leader of the celebrated Paxton boys of Pennsylvania, who left Hanover Township, Lancaster county, and settled in Hanover township, Luzerne county—a township named by him. During the struggles in the Wyoming Valley, which lasted nearly eight years, the Capt. rendered patriotic and distinguished services. In 1809, *John*, son of George Espy, married Lovina Inman, a daughter of Col. Edward Inman of the Revolutionary Army. In 1841, *James*, eldest son of John and Lovina Espy, m. Mary A. Miller, a daughter of Barnett Miller. And then through a long line of patriotic and distinguished ancestry, we bring this genealogical table down to John Espy, the subject of this sketch and a son of James and Mary A. Espy. In 1868, he m. Martha M. Wood, a daughter of John B. Wood of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Her father was a prosperous merchant and banker, and her mother, whose maiden name was Sarah Gore, was descended from one of the oldest and most honorable families of America. Her great-grandfather and five of his sons fought against the British and Indians in the Wyoming Valley campaigns. Major Espy has an interesting history. Much of his childhood was spent under the care of his paternal grandmother, Lovina Inman Espy, a woman of broad culture and great intelligence. In 1860, when only

seventeen years of age, he entered upon a career of independence. Equipped with a good common school education, habits of industry, and ambition to succeed, he came westward and located at Burlington, Iowa. The war of the Rebellion set the country ablaze the following spring and John Espy was among the first to enlist in Co. E of the First Regt. of Iowa Vol. Inft. in response to President Lincoln's first call. This regiment fought under General Nathaniel Lyon in those campaigns which did so much to save the state of Missouri to the Union.

Young Espy accompanied it in the expedition under Genl. Sweeny to Forsyth, near the Arkansas line; was in the engagement at Dug Springs, and took part in the memorable battle of Wilson's Creek, Aug. 10, 1861, in which action the lamented Lyon fell and the First Iowa lost 51 men in killed and wounded. A few days after this battle the First Iowa's term of enlistment expired and Espy was mustered out of service. He intended to re-enter the army forthwith, but his left hand became crippled for life by a sorghum mill, and rendered him incapable of further service as a soldier. It was at this period that John Espy returned to Pennsylvania and completed his education. He was graduated from the new Columbus Academy in 1863, from Harvey's Institute in 1864, and from Albany (N. Y.) Law School in 1866. From this last named school he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar of Luzerne county, Pa., April 20, '68. Upon

returning from the law school he at once began taking an active part in politics. Every campaign found him on the stump and participating prominently in conventions as the chairman thereof or as a hard-working delegate. He was, of course, a strong Republican; but, while his father was a supporter of Simon Cameron, the son was equally ardent in his support of the Luzerne anti-Cameron movement. The factional contest oft times led to very interesting situations, in which the subject of this sketch figured conspicuously. He helped others to official positions, but business obligations kept him from holding public office himself. He prospered at law; was for ten years a director of the Wilkes-Barre Water Company and Kingston Passenger Railway, and was interested in banking and promoting many other important enterprises. In 1871 he was commissioned aide-de-camp with the rank of Major, on the staff of Genl. E. S. Osborn of the Pennsylvania National Guard. He served in that capacity ten years, and took an active part in suppressing the riots at Scranton in 1871, at the Susquehanna Depot in 1877, and at Hazleton in 1878. Major Espy came to St. Paul in 1879. Admitted to the Ramsey County bar, he for a time occupied the same office with Hon. Hiram F. Stevens. Soon after coming here he was made secretary of the State Central Committee; this was during the Blaine and Logan campaign, when Minnesota gave the largest Republican majority ever polled in the state, Nelson's excepted. While he still conducts



an office practice, his large investments and property holdings occupy most of his time. He has done a great deal for St. Paul. He built and owns the well known Espy block on Fifth street, and has also erected many buildings in other parts of the city and is interested in the beautiful White Bear towns of Mahtomedi and Wildwood—one of the loveliest resorts in the Northwest. He is public spirited and large-hearted. A member of the Episcopal Church; he is also a director of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Always an active G. A. R. man; he was delegate from Minnesota to the twenty-eighth annual encampment at Pittsburg, and worked hard to secure the 1895 encampment for his home city. He was also a member of the local committee that went to Louisville in 1895 and secured the thirtieth national encampment for St. Paul in 1896. During that encampment the major exerted his energies to the utmost. He suggested the "living flag," composed of 2,200 children, and saw that his grand design was carried to a magnificently successful conclusion. Major Espy's whole life bespeaks the man. Respect has followed him all through the years. Here in St. Paul, no man has been held in higher esteem. He and his estimable wife have four children: *John B.*, *Lila Wood*, *Maude M.*, an artist of great promise, who d. Aug. 12, 1903, and *Olin*, who was a member of the 13th. Minn. Vol. Inf., in the Spanish American War, and was with his Regiment in the Philippines, and their elegant home at No. 74 Summit Ave., is the

center of a large circle of friends and much graceful hospitality. There the Major will doubtless spend the remaining years of his busy and useful life. Although past the half century mark, he is still strong and active and manifests no sign of lessening interest in the development of his chosen field of labor. To a man of his temperament, there can be no period to his career until its final close.

- ii. *Theodore*, b. Nov. 5, 1844; resides in Towanda, Pa.; m. Feb. 25, 1873, *Mary C. Schoonover*, b. March 8, 1844, in Stillwater, N. J. Mr. Espy was a member of the 41st. Regt. Pa. Vol. Inft., during the Civil War. His children are: 1. *Mary Lines*, 2. *Bertha B.*, 3. *Carrie L.*
- iii. *Barnett Miller*, b. May 16, 1846; is a lawyer by profession, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and Secretary and Treasurer of the Wilkes-Barre Water Co.; m. Sept. 23, 1873, *Caroline Wood*, b. 1847, daughter of Abraham Wood and Caroline Bowers; he was a member of the 41st. Regt. Pa. Vol. Inft. in the Civil War. Their children are: 1. *Blanche Wood*, 2. *Ridgeway Bowers*, 3. *Bruce Miller*, 4. *Charles Wood*.
- iv. *Frank*, b. Dec. 19, 1848; m. *Effie F. Harding*, b. Nov. 2, 1851, of Herrick Center, Pa., where they reside, and had issue: *James Byron*, b. Jan. 26, 1873.
- v. *Edward Inman*, b. July 23, 1852; d. 1898; m. *Fannie Maltby* of Keokuk, Iowa, and had issue: 1. *Ralph Edward*, 2. *Harold Maltby*, m. *Florence* —, an actress from whom he is divorced.
- vi. *Minnie M.*, b. Oct. 29, 1859; m. *Charles R.*

Wood, b. Oct. 11, 1854, and had issue: 1. *Stanley V.*, 2. *Christine*.

XVII. FANNIE ESPY, daughter of John and Lovina Inman Espy, was b. March 21, 1813; d. Nov. 1, 1881; m. Abram Line, b. Nov. 28, 1811, and had issue:

- i. *Frances*, b. May 1838; m. Wm. H. Lueder.
- ii. *Lovina*, b. Oct. 5, 1839; m. W. S. Smythe.
- iii. *Annette C.*, b. Sept. 27, 1842; m. C. D. Wells.
- iv. *Augusta*, b. June 7, 1844; m. C. W. Hollenback.
- v. *Edward Espy*, b. Jan. 29, 1850; m. Rosa Moyer.

XVIII. JOHN ESPY, son of John and Ann Scott Espy, was b. Sept. 22, 1815; d. Dec. 15, 1873; m. Mary Turton, May 8, 1839, Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, officiating. They had issue:

- i. *Eliza Ann*, b. Feb. 4, 1840; d. Aug. 22, 1859.
- ii. *Margaret J.*, b. May 2, 1841.
- iii. *Mary E.*, b. Dec. 1, 1844; d. Dec. 16, 1845.
- iv. *Henry Clay*, b. Sept. 30, 1842; m. Mary E. Bridget, Jan. 15, 1863, and their children are: 1. *John*, 2. *Alice*, 3. *Louis*, 4. *Elmer*, 5. *Edward*, 6. *Mabel*.
- v. *Ferdinand*, b. Aug. 4, 1846; m. Adeline E. Ayton, daughter of Richard and Mary Ayton, July 10, 1867, and had: 1. *Margaret J.*, 2. *Adeline C.*
- vi. *John Adams Blake*, b. Aug. 21, 1848; m. Ella Ayton, Dec. 9, 1869; had children: 1. *Clara*, 2. *Mary*, 3. *Ella*, 4. *Peter*, 5. *Ferdinand*.
- vii. *William Joseph Bonlanger*, b. Oct. 28, 1852; d. July 6, 1865.

XIX. CATHERINE L. ESPY, daughter of Thomas Huling and Elizabeth Wilson Espy, was b. Nov. 23, 1846; m. John A. Knight, June 9, 1864; he

- d. Feb. 15, 1876. They had issue:
- i. *Martha E.*, b. April 24, 1865; m. Marshall Wells, Sept. 27, 1883, and has: 1. *James S.*, 2. *Townsend*.
  - ii. *James W.*, b. Dec. 27, 1868; m. Annie Gale, March 8, 1892; residence, San Bernardino, Cal. They had issue: 1. *John*, 2. *Eley*, 3. *James Espy*, 4. *Gertrude*.
  - iii. *John Kemper*, b. June 29, 1874; unmarried; residence, Riverside, Cal.

XX. HENRY CLAY ESPY, son of Thomas Huling and Elizabeth Wilson Espy, was b. Feb. 11, 1849; m. Rowena Marley, April 1872; he d. Jan 28, 1893; Mrs. Espy resides at Van Horn, El Paso County, Texas. They had issue:

- i. *James A.*, b. Jan. 11, 1873; unmarried.
- ii. *Lena E.*, b. March 20, 1874; m. Walter S. Miller, Dec. 30, 1891, and has *Espy Miller*; residence, Pecos, Texas.
- iii. *Josiah W.*, b. Aug. 1, 1877; unmarried.
- iv. *Kate Allender*, b. Feb. 5, 1879; m. O. Z. Finley, Sept. 9, 1876<sup>1879</sup>; residence, Marfa, Texas.
- v. *Mary Sargent*, b. Dec. 26, 1881; m. Lee Prude, Dec. 6, 1896; had *James Chandler*, aged 2 years; residence, Van Horn, Texas.
- vi. *Robert Henry*, b. Nov. 26, 1886; unmarried.

### Family Spelling the Name Espey.

I. HUGH ESPY, son of John and Jean Morehead Espy of County Down, Ireland, m. Mary Stewart of County Londonderry, where he settled. He came to America some time after the Revolution bringing all his family, except William and Hugh, who had emigrated to this country some years earlier. He embarked with his family on the "Faithful Stewart," and on the Maryland coast in sight of land, the ship was wrecked, during the night. All this family were lost except John, James and one sister, who died next day from fright and exposure. James was injured and left a cripple for life. The surviving children of Hugh Espy were:

2.     *i. William.*
3.     *ii. Hugh.*
4.     *iii. John.*
5.     *iv. James.*

II. WILLIAM ESPY, son of Hugh and Mary Stewart Espy, came to America early in 1774, bringing with him a "church letter" which is here attached.

### COPY OF CHURCH LETTER.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed do hereby Certifie that William Easpy son of Hugh Easpy of Tuburnmore in the Parish of Kileronshan in the County of Londonderry Ireland is a Native of said Parish and during his Residence has behaved himself Soberly Honestly and innoensively has enjoyed the happings of a fair and unblemished Character clear of Scandal or any imputation thereof and has Received the benefits of Communion with us is now bound for America may be admitted into any

Christian Sosciety where Divine Providence  
may order his Lot Certified by us at Tubernmore  
the 20th Day of May 1774

{ JAS WHITSIDE P. M.  
JNO MADON C  
SAML SINELERY L  
JOHN KINNERY { Stew  
THOS JACKSON {  
WM HOPKINSON Clerk

The above copy is made without changing the spelling, or capitalization. I wish the writing could also be reproduced as it is in a fine clerical hand with the letters well connected and indicates erudition and character. The signatures may vary a few letters from the way they are copied as they have grown indistinct with age. The name of the place Tubernmore or Tuburnmore is spelled two ways. The names are bracketed together in the original as here indicated. This letter is owned by Dr. John R. Espey of Trinidad, Colorado. William Espy served in the Revolution, family tradition says, as a scout in the army under Genl. Knox. However, that may be, he certainly carried a sword which is now owned by Hugh Espey of Rising Sun, Ind. Proof of his service is found in Vol. 13, Second Series, page 66, Archives of Pennsylvania, unclassified soldiers, and the name is spelled *Espy*. For some reason now unknown, this family has made *Espey* their choice in spelling the name, supposedly to distinguish them from others in the same county. After peace was proclaimed, Wm. Espy settled in Fayette, county, Pa., where he owned a large tract of land about forty miles east of Pittsburg; there he lived and died, in 1813. He m. Margaret Hemphill, of whose parentage nothing is known as she and a younger sister, Isabella, were found when they were very young, hidden in the woods near the smoking ruin of a house that the Indians had burned after killing all others in the family. They had issue:



6.
  - i. *Hugh*, m. *Nancy Gant*.
  - ii. *Isabella*, b. June 9, 1793; d. Aug. 6, 1864; m. *Samuel Jelly* in Pennsylvania, and came to Indiana in 1816, where she died. Her children were: 1. *William E.*, 2. *Margaret H.*; m. and had five children; 3. *James S.*; m. and had two children; 4. *Hugh E.*, 5. *Robert E.*, 6. *Mary*, 7. *Samuel*.
7.
  - iii. *Robert*, b. June 9, 1793; m. *Eliza Smith*.
  - iv. *Mary*, b. 1796; m. *William Lytle*, and had children: 1. *William*, lives in Iowa, 2. *Isabella*, 3. *Thomas*.

III. HUGH ESPEY, son of Hugh and Mary Stewart Espy, was b. in Londonderry, Ireland, and came to America in 1777. Settled first in Philadelphia and went with his brother William, to meet the "Faithful Steward." He is said to have served in the Revolution, but so far I have not been able to find proof of this fact, which is no sign that he failed to serve. After the war he settled in Westmorland County, Pa., where he d. Dec. 14, 1831, and where some of his descendants still live. He m. first, *Isabella Black*, by whom he had the following children:

- i. *Peggy*, b. 1795; m. *John McMullen*, and had: 1. *Elizabeth*, m. *Rev. D. H. Pollock* and had, *Mrs. Elizabeth Sherwood*; 2. *Mary A.*, m. *J. C. Core*, and had a son, *John M.*, an attorney of Uniontown, Pa.; 3. *James Espey*, m. *Miss Bute*.
8.
  - ii. *Hugh*, b. 1797; m. *Sarah Jane Ewing*.
  - iii. *William*, b. 1800; m. *Miss Cunningham* and had: 1. *Hugh*, whose son, *Harry H.*, was private in Co. H. 18th. Regt. Pa. Vols. Spanish-American War; 2. *Nancy*, 3. *Margaret*.
  - iv. *Isabella*, b. 1803; m. *Mathew Cooley* and d. childless.

Hugh Espey m. secondly, Margaret Walker, who d. May 6, 1854, and had:

v. *James*, b. April 2, 1812; d. Feb. 22, 1831.

9. vi. *Walker*, b. Aug. 4, 1814; m. E. S. Torrence.

IV. JOHN ESPEY, son of Hugh and Mary Stewart Espy, was b. in Ireland and saved from the wreck of the "Faithful Steward"; m. and settled near Ripley, Brown County, Ohio, where he died. His children were:

i. *David*.

ii. *William*.

iii. *Robert*, d. 1856; m. and had: 1. *Margaret*, b. 1810, never m.; 2. A son b. 1815; d. unmarried aged 75 years; 3. *John*, b. 1820; still living at Eureka Springs, Ark., unmarried; 4. A daughter, b. 1825, who m. Mr. Crozier and had one child, *Dr. John Espey Crozier*, b. 1845, at Lee's Summit, Mo. Is an elder in the O. S. Presbyterian Church; residence, Eureka Springs, Ark.

iv. *Belle or Isabella*.

v. *Martha*.

V. JAMES ESPEY, son of Hugh and Mary Stewart Espy, was b. in Ireland and saved a cripple, from the wreck of the "Faithful Steward; m. Miss McLean, a native of Scotland; settled on a farm in Brown County O. He was drowned in 1813, while trying to save his cattle during a "rise" of the Ohio River. His children were:

i. *Dr. James*; killed by lightning in Champaign County, Ill.; was a very successful physician of the pioneer days; married and left a son, *John E.*, who invented "Espey's Fragrant Cream;" m. and has daughter, *Georgia*, and possibly other children, residing in Bloomington, Ill.

ii. A son, name not given, b. three months

after the father died; m. and had the following children: 1. *Mrs. Nancy Evans*, Tolono, Ill.; 2. *Mrs. Sarah Creamer*, Tolono, Ill.; 3. *W. W. Espey*, a wealthy manufacturer of Portland, Ore., whose children are: 1. *Edward L.*, who became an artist, studied in Paris for six years and his work carried off the gold medal at the second Paris Exposition; d. unmarried. 2. *Elmer E.*, who lives in Colorado; unmarried. 3. *William Grant*, m. Lena—and has son, and daughter, *Florence*; residence, San Francisco, Cal. 4. *Mrs. Wade Hampton*, Tacoma Wash.; 5. *Mrs. Henry Miner*, Portland, Ore.

VI. HUGH ESPEY, son of William and Margaret Hemphill Espey, was b. Dec. 5, 1786, in Fayette County, Pa. Settled in Rising Sun, Ind., in 1816, where he owned a large amount of land and carried on a flour mill; m. April 12, 1810, Nancy Gant, (b. Jan. 9, 1792; d. 1868); was an elder in the Presbyterian church and Major of State Militia; d. in 1870. His children were:

- i. *William*, b. June 11, 1811; m. and had: 1. *John*, killed in Civil War; 2. *Henry*, d. in Missouri; unmarried. 3. *Mrs. Mary Cooper*, Omaha, Neb.
- ii. *Mary Ann*, b. Dec. 27, 1819; m. John P. Stewart, May 13, 1841; had children.
11. iii. *Hugh Stewart*, b. July 9, 1822; m. A. Haines.
- iv. *James*, b. Dec. 2, 1817; had one child.
- v. *Robert*, b. March 31, 1825; m. Jan. 1854, Mary C. Young; d. in California; left no children.
- vi. *Margaret*, b. June 27, 1827; m. William Greer, Feb. 14, 1854; resides in California.
- vii. *Eliza J.*, b. Jan. 2, 1831; m. E. Helm, Oct. 18, 1851; lives in Kentucky.
- viii. *Agnes*, b. Oct. 27, 1835; m. David B. Moore, Sept 2, 1856; lives in Indiana.

- ix. Isabella*, b. Aug. 27, 1829; unmarried; lives at Dublin, Ind.

VII. ROBERT ESPEY, son of William and Margaret Hemphill Espey, was b. June 9, 1793; d. Aug. 6, 1864; m. Eliza Smith, in Fayette County, Pa.; she d. in 1864, and they are both buried at Georgetown, O. They had issue:

- i. William*, b. Aug. 3, 1821; m. but has no children.
- ii. Smith*, b. 1823; d. in Illinois.
- iii. Hugh*, b. 1827; was Capt. Second Ind. Battery in Civil War; m. and d. childless.
- iv. Ellen*, b. 1829; d. in Ohio.
- v. Margaret*, b. 1831; lives in Rising Sun, Ind.
- vi. David*, b. 1833.
- vii. George*, b. 1835.

VIII. HUGH ESPEY, son of Hugh and Isabella Black Espey, was b. 1797; m. Sarah Jane Ewing; d. Feb. 25, 1852; was a farmer of Westmorland County, Pa. Prof. James Espy is known to have visited frequently at this home and claimed cousin-ship in some degree, not certainly known how near, with Hugh. This family were brought up strictly in the Presbyterian faith. The children were:

- i. Rebecca M.*; d Oct. 1875.
- ii. George*, d. in infancy.
- iii. George Ewing*, d. in youth.
- iv. William*, d. in youth.
- v. Hugh*, d. in youth.
- vi. Samuel A.*, m. Sarah Ellen Morton and had children: 1. *Clara Ewing*, 2. *John Morton*. Prof. Espey is Principal of Fourth Ward School, No. 1, Allegheny, Pa. He is a talented man and values moral worth and intellect far above riches.

IX. WALKER ESPEY, son of Hugh and Margaret Walker Espey, was b. Aug. 4, 1814; m. Dec. 14, 1836,





DR. JOHN R. ESPEY.



Elizabeth S. Torrence, b. 1808; d. Sept. 14, 1888. Their children were:

- i. *James*, b. Feb. 24, 1840; d. unmarried.
- ii. *Margaret Walker*, b. March 2, 1842.
- iii. *Mary Jane*, b. March 28, 1844.
- iv. *Richard Gailey*, b. June 12, 1846; m. *Addie H. Crowl*, Dec. 25, 1871; lives at Galva, Ill. Has children: 1. *Charles Walker*, b. Jan. 25, 1873; 2. *Robert Earle*, b. April 30, 1875; 3. *Ethel Elizabeth*, b. Nov. 24, 1878; 4. *Leslie Gailey*, 6. *Florence M.*
- v. *Isabella Colby*, b. Aug. 13, 1848.

X. DAVID ESPEY, son of John and Elizabeth McIllheny Espey, was b. in Brown county, Ohio. All we know of him is that he m. and had children, some of whom are:

- i. *Mrs. Martha J. Ward* of Dayton, Ohio.
- 12. ii. *Samuel McIllheny*; m. *Mary E. Carpenter*.
- iii. *Harvey J.*, b. 1838 in Ripley, Ohio; settled at Napoleon, Indiana; m.; had children: *H. Henry* and *Clara* by his first wife; m. again and had son b. three months after his father's death; named *David A.* Harvey J. Espey was Col. 68th. Indiana Vol. Inft. in Civil war and d. in Leavenworth, Kansas in 1866 from effect of wounds received in the service.

XI. HUGH STEWART ESPEY, son of Hugh and Nancy Gant Espey, was b. July 9, 1822; d. March, 1895; m. *Abigail Haines* and had:

- i. *Frank*, Rising Sun, Ind.
- ii. *Hugh*, Rising Sun, Ind.
- iii. *John Robert*, b. 1864; m. *Gertrude Harris* and has children: 1. *Gertrude*, b. Dec. 15, 1899; 2. *Abigail Ruth*, b. Oct. 13, 1902. Mr. Espey is a physician of Trinidad, Colo.

There were three other sons and two daughters

born to Hugh and Abigail Haines Espey, but I have not been able to hear from them, or of them.

XII. SAMUEL McILLHENY ESPEY, son of David and Sarah E. McIllheny Espey, was b. Jan. 27, 1836, at Ripley, Ohio; m. Mary E. Carpenter, b. July 10, 1840; (daughter of Samuel and Diana Evans Carpenter, of Aberdeen, Ohio.) Oct. 29, 1863; d. Jan. 15, 1889; was commissioned Aug. 15, 1861, 1st. Lieut. Co. F, 1st. Regt. Ohio Vol. Light Artillery; resigned on account of poor health; enlisted again as Capt. 2nd. Battery, Ohio N. G., Oct., 1864, who were guarding prisoners of war at Johnson's Island, Lake Erie; was Post Master at Windom, Minn. from 1871 to 1881; Auditor of Cottonwood county, Minn., from 1873 to 1888. Had issue:

- i. *Minnie Sherman*, b. Aug. 31, 1864; m. Wm. A. Cook April 15, 1886, and had: 1. *Gert-rude*, 2. *Burdette Espey*, 3. *Wm. Richard*, 4. *Frank Alfred*.
- ii. *Mary Gould*, b. Oct. 19, 1866; d. June 9, 1895.
- iii. *Jessie Bell*, b. Oct. 1, 1869; employed by the Government in Washington, D. C.
- iv. *Richard*, b. Sept. 7, 1874; enlisted as a private in 1st. Dist. of Columbia Vol. Inft. May, 1898; was at the siege and surrender of Santiago de Cuba.
- v. *Emolyn Carpenter*, b. Oct. 5, 1876.
- vi. *Frances B.*, b. July 18, 1878.
- vii. *Samuel David*, b. May 13, 1880; d. Maach 28, 1882.
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